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Introduction

We have now reached the end, actually the beginning, of this wonderful chronology of otherworldly and incredible events, anecdotes, stories, etc. Ancient reports are important as they are untainted by today's social media networks, etc. Many of the reports are copied down verbatim from the original newspaper sources and other sources. Of course at the time the entities encountered were not obviously called humanoids or aliens, they had other more colorful terms, as you shall see.

Many of the reports are from tireless researchers which have searched obscured newspaper archives worldwide. Some are anecdotal stories handed down from generation to generation; this I know from personal experience. And many of these cases are to be found in the pages of books about "Native Folklore," supposed "Myth and Legends." And we soon realize that it is true, that many times a Myth has a basis in fact or actual events.

Before I go, I would like to personally give thanks to an incredibly lady and researcher, Kay Massingill. As you will notice she is indeed the source of many of the newspaper accounts of strange events and entities, as she is a serious and dedicated researcher and has located many of these newspaper accounts personally.

As I reach the end of this humanoid encounters series and timeline, my publisher Ash Staunton and myself, are thinking about the possibility of other books, and my humanoid/entity file increases daily, with new cases included in my own research files.

Albert S. Rosales, January, 2017.

TYPES OF CE (Close Encounter) CLASSIFICATIONS:

Type A: When an entity or humanoid is seen inside or on top of an object or unidentified aircraft.
Type B: When an entity or humanoid is seen entering or exiting a UFO.
Type C: When an entity or humanoid is seen in the immediate vicinity of a UFO.
Type D: When an entity or humanoid is seen in the same area where UFOs or unknown objects have been reported.
Type E: When an entity or humanoid is seen alone, without related UFO activity.
Type F: When there is a 'psychic' contact between entities or humanoids, but an entity or humanoid is not necessarily seen.
Type G: When there is direct contact or interaction between a witness and a humanoid or entity; either involuntary, as a result of a forced abduction, or as a voluntary contact.
Type H: When there is a report of an alleged crash or forced landing of a UFO with recovery of its occupants, or when an anomalous entity is captured or killed either by a witness or military personnel.

Type X: When the situation is so uncanny that it doesn't fit any of the previous classifications. A new classification, there are several such cases in the files already. I would call these cases, 'extremely high strangeness events.'

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Location: Rome, Italy.
Date: 41-54 AD.
Time: Unknown.

Pliny the Elder claims to have seen a dead Centaur preserved in honey. It was being transported to Rome from Arabia via Egypt during the reign of Emperor Claudius. Phlegon of Tralles saw it about sixty years later and wrote that it had a fierce face and hairy arms and fingers. Its human torso merged smoothly with its horse's body, and its hooves were firm. The entire body had turned dark brown.

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *'Mysterious Creatures.'*
Type: X

Location: Between Rome and Capua, Italy.
Date: 150 AD.
Time: Unknown.

Near the Via Campana on a sunny day, a “beast” like a piece of pottery (ceramos) about 100 feet in size, multicolored on top and shooting out fiery rays, landed in a dust cloud. The flying object was accompanied by a “maiden” clad in white. There was only one witness to the event, probably Hermas the brother of Pope Pius I.

HC addendum.
Source: ‘*UFOs in Antiquity*.’
Type: C

Location: Cannes, France.
Date: 216 AD.
Time: Unknown.

Round objects and the shapes of ships with occupants were observed over the region.

HC addendum.
Source: Pierre Vieroudy, 1979.
Type: A?

Location: Constantinople (today Istanbul), Turkey.
Date: 438 AD.
Time: Unknown.

"An earthquake has destroyed Constantinople; famine and pestilence are spreading. The cataclysm has leveled the walls and the fifty seven towers. Now comes a new tremor, even stronger than all the previous ones. Nicephorus, the historian, reports that in their fright the inhabitants of Byzantium, abandoning their city, gathered in the countryside:

"They kept praying to beg that the city be spared total destruction; they were in no lesser danger themselves, because of the movements of the Earth that nearly engulfed them, when a miracle quite unexpected and going beyond all credence filled them with admiration.

In the midst of the entire crowd, a child was suddenly taken up by a strong force, so high into the air that they lost sight of him. After this, he came down as he had gone up, and told Patriarch Proclus, the Emperor himself, and the assembled multitude that he had just attended a great concert of the Angels hailing the Lord in their sacred canticles.

Acacius, the bishop of Constantinople, states, "The population of the whole city saw it with their eyes." And Baronius, commenting upon this report, adds the following words; "Such a great event deserved to be transmitted to the most remote posterity and to be forever recorded in human memory through its mention every year in the ecclesiastical annals." For this reason the Greeks, after inscribing it with the greatest respect into their ancient Menologe, read it publicly every year in their churches."

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck, *'Wonders in the Sky.'*
Type: G?

Location: Katsuraki Mountain, Japan.
Date: 460 AD.
Time: Unknown.

According to the ancient Japanese manuscript "Nihoni," the Emperor Oho-Hatsuse-Vaka-taka-no-Mikoto had gone hunting on the mountain with bow and arrows when unexpectedly, a tall man in a strange cap and tight-fitting clothes descended from the sky! By his face and manner of behavior, the Emperor thought that he had encountered "God" himself, and decided to ask him who he was. The tall man answered, "I am the God of visible people. You give me your king's name and I will give you mine."

The Emperor answered, "I am Vaka-Taka-no-Mikoto." And the tall man gave his name, "Your obedient servant God Hito-Koto-Musi" (which literally meant, "God of one word. Goodness that sprays evil with one word and the good by one word"). He left his "chariot" that was emitting light and joined the emperor on his hunting expedition.

HC addendum.
Source: Space Visitors in Ancient Japan by Mikhail Rosenshpitz, *Unbelievable World* #8 August, 2004.
Type: B
Comments: Ancient contact tale from Japan.

Location: Clonfert, Ireland.
Date: 553 AD.
Time: Unknown.

Another early instance of what would be called "abduction" today took place when "Brennain of Birra was seen ascending in a chariot into the sky this year."

This refers to Saint Brendan ("Breanainn") of Clonfert (ca. 484-ca. 578), an early Irish monastic saint; sometimes believed to have sailed to America.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck, *'Wonders in the Sky,'* citing *The Annals of the Four Masters,* historical chronicles compiled in the 17th century by four friars of the Abbey of Donegal in Bundrowes, near Bundoran. They are also known as *The Annals of the Kingdom of Ireland.*
Type: G?

Location: (Undisclosed location) Japan.
Date: 556 AD.
Time: Unknown.

A strange man, a visitor from the sky was encountered during the rule of Emperor AMe-Kuni-Osi-Hiroki-Niro-niha and told the emperor when he met him; “In the past during the rule of Emperor Oho-Hatsuse, your country has experienced strong pressure from Korea and was in a quite critical situation. If after a respectful prayer to the divine being; founder of your country; you will help the ruler who is threatened by destruction, the state will then achieve tranquility and peace will be established among nations.

Recently I was informed that your country has stopped honoring the Supreme God. If you will now repent of your former sins, and build a temple to this God and make a sacrifice in honor of his divine spirit…your country will flourish. Don’t forget about this.”

HC addendum.
Source: Space Visitors in Ancient Japan. By Mikhail Rosenshpitz in; *‘Unbelievable World,’* Kiev, Ukraine #8, August, 2004.
Type: E?

Location: Belfast Lough, Northern Ireland.
Date: 558 A.D.
Time: Various.

Many locals heard the peculiar sound of a woman singing beneath the waters of Belfast Lough. A crew of fishermen, armed with nets, was dispatched which successfully captured the siren. Although details of the creature's appearance were scanty, it was learned that she had once been a human child who was plunged into the waters, along with her entire family, during a catastrophic flood.

She was taken to civilization, duly baptized and named Murgen, or "born of the sea." For her home the townspeople prepared for her a water tank and in this she supposedly lived for a time. She was said to have performed many miracles and was later worshipped as a saint.

HC addendum.
Source: B. M. Nunnelly, *'The Inhumanoids: Encounters with Beings that can't Exist.'*
Type: X?

Location: Yang Tsze Valley, China.
Date: 781 A.D.
Time: Unknown.

"Stories of cannibal demons or hairy men coming from Hunan spread through the valley. Fires were kept alight all night, and the clamor of copper pans was raised to drive them off. Invasions of 'savages' were evidently indicated here, hairy dark-colored beings with sharp teeth and glowing eyes; their natural ferocity of expression heightened by the frizzled locks and war paint similar to the Melanesian islanders."

HC addendum.
Source: Lecture by Mr. G. Willoughby-Meade, the *Singapore Free Press and Mercantile Advertiser*, July 20, 1925.
Type: E?

Location: Montserrat-Santa Cova, Spain.
Date: April 25, 880.
Time: Various.

Toward the end of April in the year 880 seven young children from Monistrol in Barcelona saw a strange light descend from the sky and head towards a small grotto on the mountain of Montserrat, accompanied by a soft melody. A week later a group of priests headed by the Bishop of Manresa returned to the spot, and saw it again. On four Saturdays in a row the light reappeared in the sky and dropped towards the mountain grotto. In the end seven men were sent to the place the light seemed to indicate, which was in an area called Santa Cova.


Magic Mountain, Montserrat.

When they entered the cave they discovered an image of a black virgin, surrounded by a magical light and giving off a pleasant aroma. The locals tried to carry the sculpture to Manresa but, according to their story, the further they moved it, the heavier it became. It grew so heavy that they had to leave it in the middle of the fields, where they decided to erect a hermitage in the name of St. Mary. The hermitage is still there today.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck, *'Wonders in the Sky,'* quoting Josep Guijarro 'Guia de la Cataluna Magica,' 1999.
Type: F

Location: Near Flixton, England.
Date: 940 A.D.
Time: Unknown

A strange creature was reportedly seen in this vicinity located in the north of England. The beast appeared to have been a combination of a large black dog, and a werewolf. It was popularly described by the terrified village folk as possessing abnormally large eyes that glowed in the dark, a long tail, and a terrible stench. The creature also attacked and mutilated livestock, dogs, and even people.

Not only that; rumors circulated that the beast was under the control of a local magician, who was manipulating it for distinctly evil purposes. The fog of time, however, has effectively ensured that the full facts pertaining to the Flixton werewolf will remain a mystery.

HC addendum.
Source: Nick Redfern, *Fate,* March 2006.
Type: E

Location: Yangzhou, Jiangsu province, China.
Date: 1056-1064.
Time: Various.

In his book of essays “Meng Qi Bi,” compiled by Shen Kua of the Song Dynasty, it describes in the years of Emperor Jiayou, an object as bright as a pearl often made its appearance over the city. At first the object was seen on a lake in Tienzhang County in eastern Anhul and later on the Pishe Lake of Gaoyou County in Jiangsu. Subsequently it was often seen by local inhabitants near Xingkai Lake. One night a man living by the lakeside found a large shining “pearl” while studying outdoors.

The object opened its ‘doors’ and a flood of intense light like sunbeams darted out. The outer shell opened, appearing as large as a bed with a big pearl the size of a fist. The intense silver white light, shot from the interior, was too strong for human eyes to behold; it cast shadows of every tree within a radius of ten miles. The spectacle was like the rising sun, lighting up the sky and woods in red. Then all of a sudden, the object took off at a tremendous speed and descended upon the lake like the setting sun.

HC addendum.
Source: http://asiaparanormal.blogspot.com/2010
Type: X

Location: River Setomi, near modern day Kiev, Ukraine.
Date: 1065.
Time: Daytime.

Local residents observed a strange sign in the sky; a huge star with blood red beams of light. This phenomenon lasted for seven straight days. It was seen only during the evening. Around the same time a child-like dwarf type entity was found by fishermen in the river Setomi (this river does not exist at present).

The dwarf was pulled out of the river in a net. The fishermen kept watch over the strange entity until late afternoon and then threw it back into the river out of fear and repugnancy. The dwarf-like entity was very strange with a much wrinkled face and other "shameless" details on his face and body (not specified).

HC addendum.
Source: *'Povest Vremennyh Let,'* (Ancient Manuscript) and Dmitriy Lavrov (All-Ukrainian News) February 18, 1998.
Type: E or D?

Location: Cracow, Poland.
Date: April 11, 1079.
Time: Unknown.

On this day the Kingdom of Poland survived the worst crisis as a result of a terrible conflict between the bishop Stanislaw of Szezepanowo who had been sentenced to death by King Boleslaw II the Generous for treason and executed on that same day. According to old chronicles; the skies opened themselves above the capital of Cracow and four eagles with a great sphere came down. The bishop's body was then restored to one piece again; something the locals recognized as a miracle. People also saw strange things and lights in the sky on that day.

HC addendum.
Source: Robert K. Lesniakiewicz.
Type: F?

Location: Railbach, Freienstein, Germany.
Date: 1125.
Time: 23:00 to Midnight.

Near the above town witnesses including one Georg Miltenburger, reported seeing a bizarre entity described as resembling a "burning man" or a man of fire. It was seen running over the hills, spitting fire from its nose and mouth. Some said that they could plainly see its burning ribs. It reportedly remained wandering around the mountainous area for quite some time.

HC addendum.
Source: Michel Bougard, *Inforespace* #23, and Jean Ferguson *'Humanoids.'*
Type: E?
Comments: Do we have here a description of an entity wearing luminous clothing and using beams of light that was interpreted in a very primitive and superstitious way?

Location: Trier region, Eastern Germany (Prussia).
Date: 1138.
Time: Unknown.

It was reported that a "dwarf" was captured in the cellar of the Brunia German Monastery in the Trier region. It was dark-skinned and did not speak any known language. In the weeks that followed the monks attempted to draw their "visitor" into Christian society but the little fellow would not speak a word.

He spent his time sitting cross-legged on a bed, looking straight ahead and refusing all foods and drink. He was tied up briefly but the rope was slackened to see what he would do. He returned to the cellar where he was found and there raised a stone on the ground and disappeared through a tunnel where nobody was able to follow him. The mysterious tunnel was reportedly sealed with a cross.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Bergier, *'Extraterrestrials throughout History,'* 1970. Original source was said to have been Gervase of Tilbury.
Type: E?

Location: Woolpit, Suffolk, England.
Date: 1173.
Time: Daytime.



This village was named after its deep trenches in which wolves were formerly capture. One day local villagers were amazed to see two very unusual children crawling out of one of these trenches. A girl and a slightly younger boy, they were both dressed in strange clothing and spoke an unintelligible language. But by far the most striking characteristic of these children was their skin color, which was green. Unable to communicate with them, and thoroughly perplexed as to what should be done, the villagers took the girl and boy, who were weeping and very forlorn, to the home of Sir Richard de Calne; a local landowner.

Here they remained, treated with great care and kindness by Sir Richard and his servants. But the boy fell ill and in less than a year he had died. Happily however the girl survived and as she grew older her skin's green hue gradually disappeared. She eventually married a man from King's Lynn in Norfolk, a senior ambassador of Henry II according to some sources, and became known as Agnes Barre. During her years in Sir Richard's household, Agnes learned English and was eventually able to reveal something about where she and her brother had come from and the manner in which they had reached Woolpit. She claimed that they were from a Christian place called St. Martin's Land, where it was always twilight (and also where according to one medieval chronicler of this story, everything was green), and which was separated from a much sunnier place by a wide river. One day while tending their father's flocks in a field, Agnes and her brother had been led away by the sound of church bells into an underground realm, and then somehow found themselves in Woolpit.

HC addendum.
Source: Dr. Karl P. N. Shuker in *Fate,* magazine May, 2001.
Type: E?

Location: (Undisclosed location) Wales.
Date: 1188.
Time: Various.

Gerald of Wales (also known as Giraldus Cambrensis and Geralllt y Cymro) Archdeacon of Brecon accompanied Archbishop Baldwyn of Canterbury and 3,000 soldiers on an expedition to encourage Welsh men to join the latest Crusade to "free" Jerusalem. Gerald took the opportunity to learn as much as he could about the culture and character of the Welsh. Still in print, the resulting book is an enduring and valuable chronicle of what medieval Wales was like.

Among the persons with whom Gerald spoke, was a priest named Elidyr (also rendered as Elidor and Elidurus). Elidyr told him of a strange experience he had in his youth, when he was 12 years old and ran away from home. As Elidyr told it, after his escape he hid in the hollow bank of a river for two days. Then two tiny men; "no bigger than pygmies" approached him and invited them to join them in their land, where "all is playtime and pleasure." He followed them to their realm.

They led him first through a dark underground tunnel and then into a most attractive country, where there were lovely rivers and meadows, and delightful woodlands and plains. It was rather dark, because the sun did not shine there. The days were all overcast, as if by clouds, for there was no moon or stars. Once he was received at the court, he found that a king ruled the land, consisting of beautiful, fair-featured little people who wore their hair long and rode horses the size of greyhounds. They did not consume meat or fish, filling their diets with assorted flavored milk dishes.

"They never gave their word, for they hated lies more than anything, they could think of," Gerald wrote, paraphrasing Elidyr's account. "Whenever they came back from the upper world, they would speak contemptuously of our own ambitions, infidelities, and inconsistencies." Their language, which Elidyr learned to speak fluently, bore a considerable resemblance to Greek. Gold abounded in this land, so common that it was used in all kinds of manufactured products, including sports equipment.

Elidyr visited his mother periodically. At first the "pygmies" accompanied him, and later he was allowed to go alone. Only his mother knew where he was spending most of his time. His stories about the ubiquity of gold particularly drew her attention---or kindled her avarice---and she pleaded with him to bring a golden present to her, to his everlasting regret, Elidyr set about to fulfill her request. The opportunity arrived soon afterwards, when he and the king's son were playing with a golden ball. Elidyr grabbed it and ran. His playmate and another "pygmy" set off in hot pursuit.

As he was entering his parent's house, the young thief stumbled, and the ball slipped from his hands. His pursuers snatched it up and left, "spitting at and deriding the boy," according to Gerald's account. Later, when a deeply ashamed Elidyr tried to find his

way back to their realm, he could not locate the tunnel that led to it even along a route that had become familiar to him. He searched for nearly another year with no more luck.

Gerald recorded, “Whenever David the Second, bishop of St. David’s talked to him in his advance state of life concerning this event, he could never relate the particulars without shedding tears.”

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *‘Mysterious Creatures,’* and Jerome Clark *‘Hidden Realms, Lost Civilizations, and Beings from Other Worlds.’*
Type: G

Location: Dagworth, Suffolk, England.
Date: 1189-1199.
Time: Various.

At the house of Sir Osberni de Bradewelle an entity calling itself "Malekin" would converse with the family of Sir de Bradewelle, sharing people's secrets and humoring householders in the voice of a one year-old child. The entity would speak on both English and Latin, and while Malekin could be heard and felt, he only appeared once; manifesting as a child dressed in a white tunic to a woman who agreed not to try and touch him. Malekin claimed he had been born in Lavenham, removed from a field after being left there by his mother, and he had a hat which made him invisible.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/reports/
Type: E?

Location: Orford, East Anglia, England.
Date: 1204.
Time: Unknown.

One day around 1204, some Orford fishermen caught something unusually heavy in their nets. As they pulled and pulled on the nets in an attempt to get them back on board their boats, and saw what they thought was a large creature tangled up with the rest of their catch.

They were extremely surprised when they finally managed to get their catch aboard because there, in the bottom of their boat was a man staring angrily at them. He was described as being naked but with a hairy body; having a long straggly beard and the top of his head being completely bald. Attempts to speak to him failed so the fishermen restrained him and took him back to the town.

The 'merman' was taken to Orford castle where the castle custodian, Bartholomew de Gladville, kept him prisoner. He and the jailers tried time and time again to question this 'merman' but the creature only uttered grunts and strange noises. They noted that when he was fed raw fish he would squeeze the water out of them into his hands and then drink it. Bartholomew de Gladville became frustrated at the creature's silence and he had the merman tortured by hanging him upside down by his ankles. Despite this ill treatment the merman still did not (or could not?) talk and eventually his jailers gave up.

Bartholomew de Gladville then took him to the nearby church but it was obvious that the creature had never seen a church service before either. One day sometime after he was first captured, the merman was taken down to the harbor. Nets had been strung across the entrance and he was set free so that he could enjoy a swim but without escaping. He made straight for the nets and easily escaped under them and headed out to sea, leaping out of the water with joy. Although he spent a little time that day in sight of the harbor, he was never seen again.

HC addendum.
Source: http://hidden-england.netfirms.com/orford_merman.htm
Type: E

Location: Tilbury, England.
Date: 1207.
Time: Unknown.

Tilbury Gervase of Tilbury writes in Otio Imperialia about an aerial ship which caught its anchor on a pile of stones. An occupant came down from the ship and managed to free it, however he was asphyxiated by the atmosphere. (?)

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.bibleufo.com/ufos2.htm
Type: B?

Location: Konya, Turkey.
Date: 13th century 1207-1273.
Time: Unknown.

Kira Hatun the wife of the great Turkish thinker; Mevlana, witnessed her husband encountering "6 imposing men" who came in from a "door" that strangely appeared on the wall of the house. According to Kira; the men carried roses in their hands and presented them to Mevlana. Then all began to pray.

When the prayer session ended, the six men vanished in plain sight. Kira took some of the roses and asked her gardener about the origin of these flowers. Amazed, he said that these were invaluable Indian roses. (Some speculate that these visitors could have been from Agarta; reputed to be an ancient mystical underground civilization in India).

HC addendum.
Source: Murat Aksoy quoting *'Mevlana ve Medyomluk.'*
Type: E

Location: Gravesend, Kent, England.
Date: 1211.
Time: Unknown.

During a Sunday mass it is said that the congregation saw an anchor descend and catch on a tombstone in the churchyard. The churchgoers rushed outside to see a strange "ship" in the sky, with people on board. One occupant of the vessel leaped over the side, but did not fall; it was as if he was "swimming in water." He made his way through the air toward the anchor. The people on the ground tried to capture him. The man then hurried up to the ship. His companions cut the anchor rope, and the ship then "sailed out of sight." The local blacksmith made ornaments from the abandoned anchor to decorate the church lectern.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.bibleufo.com/ufos2.htm also http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/reports
Type: B

Location: (Undisclosed location) Ireland.
Date: 1215.
Time: Various.

According to an ancient chronicle; witnesses reported seeing what they described as a mermaid-like creature (‘Masgugue’ in French) that would frolic in the shallows catching fish. It was reported to have had a woman’s body down to its waist, with large breasts, scarce hair (usually they are described as having long blond hair), corpulent but short arms, with long thin fingers connected with membrane-like cartilage in between the fingers. It was reported that it was usually seen right before a major storm.

HC addendum.
Source: Cryptozoological Manual.
Type: E

Location: Mount Alverne, Italy.
Date: September 14, 1224.
Time: Night.

Brother Leo saw a ball of light suspended above St. Francis of Assisi while he conversed with an invisible being. He heard voices which made questions and answers; and he remarked that Francis, who was prostrate, often repeated the words; *"Who are you, o my God? And my dear Lord? And who am I? A worm and Thy unworthy servant."* He also saw him put his hand three times into his bosom, and each time stretch it out to the flame. The light disappeared, the conversation ceased."

This kind of narrative bridges the gap between lights and objects that fly through the atmosphere, reports of luminous orbs at ground level and 'earth lights' over special spots. Here we have a ball of light (observed by an external witness) over a man who appears in communication with it, hence the relevance to the source's study.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck, *'Wonders in the Sky,'* citing Father Candide Chalippe, *'The Life and Legends of Saint Francis of Assisi,'* 2207.
Type: F

Location: Near Andujar, Jaen, Spain.
Date: August 11-12, 1227.
Time: Night.

A local shepherd guarding his flock on the Cerro del Cabezo (hill) began to see strange lights on top of the hill that emitted a sound similar to that of a bell ringing. Tradition states that the shepherd walked up to the hill and found the image of the "Virgen de la Cabeza."

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.looculto.260mb.com/ovnisenespana/
Type: F

Location: Near Mercadal, Menorca Island, Balearic Islands, Spain.
Date: 1287.
Time: Night.

After the conquest of Menorca, a mercenary friar saw that in the sky arose a column of light from the summit of a nearby mountain. This strange occurrence was repeated on several nights in a row. According to the local tradition as a result of this mysterious column of light, the image of the "Virgin of El Toro" was found at said summit.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.looculto.260mb.com/ovnisenespana/
Type: F

Location: Dalton, near Richmond, England.
Date: 1289.
Time: Daytime.

"Something marvelous happened in England near Richmond in a village called Dalton. This place lies close to a forest and abounds in pasture for cattle, a certain man of advanced age named John Francis, being careless, happened to seriously neglect the faith. For a while his neighbors reached for the church for the sacred office of the Lord's Day, and restored (their) spirit of devotion by the sacrament. This beastly man most often hurried off to visit his animals, turning his back upon the church by wandering through hill and dale. Thus having reached the wilds on one Lord's day, he stumbled on a remote place full of the powers of the air, who were all of small stature like dwarves, with deformed faces, imitating the sacred vestments of the church with the clothes of an abbot, and following one more prominent than the others, as if he were invested with sacerdotal (authority). They invited the astonished and deceived layman to approach and hear the Lord's Day service. They began with excessive laughter in place of song, and with a wretched murmur instead of a chant, together with ingenious subtlety and of a nature to subvert the faith of a layman.

At last the time came for, as it seemed, the aspersion of water, during which the prominent one went around everyone and sprinkled all his accomplices in iniquity as a punishment for their guilt. But coming to the living man at last to sprinkle him, he assailed the fool, not with water but with blows, so that to this day he (John Francis) knows not whether he was struck by drops of water or by stones; but this was afterwards verified on the testimony of many persons that he was bruised over his whole body by the blows of volleys of stones, and when he saw these seducing spirits rising bodily as if about to fly away, he seemed to feel a force compelling him to fly away with them as they departed. But by means of grace he recovered himself, and, terrified by his imminent peril, he recalled to memory by degrees as he was able the passion which the Lord endured; and, as often as he began to fly, recalling to memory the passion of Christ, he held to the earth, and, grasping the turf and lying prone on the ground, strengthened his faith until the wicked spirits had all departed.

And after he reached his home, lay down in bed and described the events to friends who visited him, he still struggled to fly for the next eight days, until he set right the infidelity of his mind by truthful confession. For unexpectedly and at certain times, as he confessed, when these spirits presented themselves to him in the air, he stretched himself upward as if he were about to fly, had he not been held down strongly by his servants."

HC addendum.

Source: Yannis Deliyannis in Magonia exchange list citing *Lanercost Chronicle (13th-14th c.),* as published in McDowall, W. *Chronicon de Lanercost,* Edinburg 1839.
Type: G?
Comments: Was this one of the first ever recorded abduction attempt by unknown entities (not necessarily) extraterrestrials?

Location: (Undisclosed location) Russia.
Date: 1319.
Time: Night.

At night over Russia people observed “fiery pillars;” they extended from the ground toward the sky. Some also sighted a “heavenly arc.” Yet others saw horse-like flying entities, equipped with “lanterns.”

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip Mantle, Paul Stonehill, *‘UFO-USSR.’*
Type: E?

Location: Kulikovo, central Russia.
Date: September 8, 1380.
Time: Night.

On this date what was called “sky forces” apparently interfered in a fierce battle between Russian armies and Mongol and Tatar troops. Foma Katsybei, the head of the Russian guard observed how two light-skinned young men “from the sky” of quite unusual appearance used their “thunder-like weapon” and destroyed a whole regiment of Mongols; at the same time saying, *“Who ordered you to destroy our fatherland?”*

The same night at the Russian military camp of Dmitriy Donskoy, witnesses Vasiliy Kapitsa and Semyon Antonov reported seeing a strange sign in the sky, they reportedly told Duke Donskoy what they had seen and were ordered to keep quiet. According to the witnesses; the battle had begun around 1800 and had lasted for three hours when the Russian forces began to retreat.

Suddenly a sky army led by the Archangel Michael himself descended from the sky to help the Russians. The “sky warriors” employed a kind of very unusual “fiery arrow” that mercilessly incinerated both Mongols and Tatars. This compelled their leader, Mamay, to retreat towards Orda. They were pursued by the Russians to the River Mech until darkness came.

HC addendum.
Source: Vadim A. Chernobrov, *‘Encyclopedia of UFO visits,’* Moscow 2008, Dr. V. Azhazha PhD quoting ancient Russian manuscripts.
Comments: Another instance of otherworldly interference in the affairs of mankind.
Type: E

Location: Languedoc, France.
Date: 1395.
Time: Night?

"In the land of Languedoc, a big star and five small ones were seen in the sky. These, as it seemed, attacked and sought to fight the big one, which they followed for half an hour. Also a voice was heard in the sky, shouting. Then a man was seen, who seemed to be made of copper, holding a spear in his hand, and throwing fire. He grabbed the big star and hit it; after which, nothing more was seen."

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck, *'Wonders in the Sky,'* citing *'L'Histoire de Charles VI,'* Roy de France.
Type: E?

Location: Edam, Netherlands.
Date: 1403.
Time: Unknown.

Two girls on their way to fetch some milk, spotted a strange female creature on the muddy banks of the Edam Canal. According to chronicles of the time, the strange female creature was hairy, and was covered with moss and small 'sea plants.' It didn't say a word but was seen to 'sigh' on several occasions. This being was given the moniker of "the Purnermeer Mermaid."

HC addendum.
Source: Cryptozoological Manual also George Eberhart *'Mysterious Creatures.'*
Type: E

Location: Domremy, Duchy of Bar, France.
Date: 1424.
Time: Daytime.



Joan d'Arc was the daughter of Jacques d'Arc and Isabelle Romee. Her parents owned about 50 acres (20 hectares) of land and her father supplemented his farming work with a minor position as a village official, collecting taxes and heading the local watch. They lived in an isolated patch of north-eastern territory that remained loyal to the French crown despite being surrounded by Burgundian lands. Several local raids occurred during her childhood and on one occasion her village was burned.

In her trial she testified that she experienced her first vision at the age of twelve years, when she was out alone in a field and saw visions of figures she identified as Saint Michael, Saint Catherine and Saint Margaret, who told her to drive out the English and bring the Dauphin to Rheims for his coronation. She said she cried when they left, as they were so "beautiful."

HC addendum.
Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joan_of_Arc
Type: F?

Location: Jaen, Andalusia, Spain.
Date: June 10, 1430.
Time: 11:30 p.m.

On Saturday for more than one half hour, four rather scared and separate peasants sighted, from different places in town, some 500 people performing a strange procession commanded by a handsome lady in white robes who carried on her hands a baby. The noisy unidentified crowd walked slowly through isolated streets following an itinerary ending at the San Ildefonso church. The charming woman and infant threw off a powerful light, which blinded the observers and illuminated the area like "noon." The Señora was taller than her attendants, wore a glowing mantle with iridescent colors. The picturesque parade was headed by seven young men in white clothing bearing white crosses, followed by 20 clergymen, in two rows, praying aloud in some unintelligible speech. Right after them went the lady and child with a man and a woman by the sides escorting them. Behind and clustered, came along some 300 men and women also in white garments.

Finally ran a troupe of 100 individuals in white, armed with lances, beating loudly their pikes with each other, in the tail end of this staggering display, pursued many barking dogs. When the crowd arrived at an open space behind the church, the imposing dame sat herself on a resplendent silvery throne in front of a luminous altar staged with red and white ornaments, while her companions sat down around her intonating chants. At midnight the entire "holy army" vanished inexplicably into thin air.

Afterwards, one of the witnesses went through the procession route and found no ground traces. Two days later, one of the witnesses heard a mysterious voice that whispered to him; *"Do not sleep and you will see good things."* Civil and ecclesiastical Spanish authorities cautiously and carefully investigated the odd happening. This bizarre happening was the origin of a local sacred Marian cult that persisted for several centuries.

HC addendum.
Source: Anonymous, Historia de Jaen, Gonzalo Argote de Molina, *'Nobleza de Andalucia.'*

Location: Milan, Italy.
Date: August 13, 1491.
Time: 8:00 p.m.

Noted philosopher, Facius Cardan reported the following encounter (preserved by the writings of his son Jerome Cardan):

August 13, 1491. When I had completed the customary rites, at about the twentieth hour of the day, seven men duly appeared to me clothed in silken garments, resembling Greek togas, and wearing, as it were, shining shoes. The undergarments beneath their glistening and ruddy breastplates seemed to be wrought of crimson and were of extraordinary glory and beauty.

Nevertheless all were not dressed in this fashion, but only two who seemed to be of nobler rank than the others. The taller of them who was of ruddy complexion was attended by two companions, and the second, who was fairer and of shorter stature, by three. Thus in all there were seven. He left no record as to whether their heads were covered. They were about forty years of age, but they did not appear to be above thirty. When asked who they were, they said that they were men composed, as it were, of air, and subject to birth and death. It was true that their lives were much longer than ours, and might even reach to three hundred years' duration.

Questioned on the immortality of the soul, they affirmed that nothing survives which is peculiar to the individual. When my father asked them why they did not reveal treasures to men if they knew where they were, they answered that it was forbidden by a peculiar law under the heaviest penalties for anyone to communicate this knowledge to men. They remained with my father for over three hours.

But when he questioned them as to the cause of the universe they were not agreed. The tallest of them denied that God had made the world from eternity. On the contrary, the other added that God created it from moment to moment, so that should He desist for an instant the world would perish. Be this fact or fable, so it stands.

HC addendum.
Source: CUN Campania and Jacques Vallee, *'Passport to Magonia.'*
Type: E

Location: Atlantic Ocean near Central America Coast.
Date: January 9, 1493.
Time: Unknown.

According to a chronicle by Father Bartolome de las Casas, the famous navigator Christopher Columbus (Cristobal Colon) reported seeing “three mermaids in the high seas” but according to Columbus “they were not as beautiful as they say; these had man-like or male countenances.”

HC addendum.
Source: *‘Cryptozoological Manual.’*
Type: E

1500-1699

Location: (Undisclosed location) Mexico.
Date: 1500's.
Time: Morning.

One morning (the exact date and location is never specified) a strange object landed in a city. The mayor and several other male residents and guards went to see the object. Upon arriving at the site of the landing, they were greeted by two very tall men that wore strange clothing that appeared to be covered in shiny "beads or marbles." The welcoming committee spoke to the strangers in Spanish, Portuguese and France without obtaining any response. The locals then attempted to communicate by using hand signals. The men then pointed to the sky. (No further information).

HC addendum.
Source: H. E. Sotomayor in, *'500 Años de Ovnis en Mexico I'* p. 18 citing Francisco Aniceto Lugo in his book, *'Misterios Terrestres y Extraterrestres'* who in turns cites communication from historian Angel Grisanti who cites the giant *'Archivo Simancas'* https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Archivo_General_de_Simancas
Type: C?

Location: Tenochtitlan, Mexico.
Date: 1502.
Time: Unknown.

In this Aztec city, the goddess Cihuacoatl takes the form of a beautiful lady draped in white garments. Throughout the night she cries out in misery: *"Oh hijos mios…ya ha llegado vuestra destruccion. Donde os llevare?"* (Oh my children, your destruction has arrived. Where can I take you?) Many believe that Cihuacoatl was speaking of the future conquest of Mexico by the Spaniards.
HC addendum.
Source: *'The Spirit of La Llorona.'*
Type: E?

Location: Tirano, Val Poschiavo, Italy.
Date: September 29, 1504.
Time: Dawn.

At dawn a man named Mario Omodei, who had gone into his garden, was suddenly surrounded by a dazzling light and heard a voice that called him by name. At the same time he felt lifted from the ground and found himself carried away to a land owned by a man named Alojsio Quadrio. Here, in an even more dazzling vision, an apparition he took to be Mary instructed him to make public the fact that she wanted a temple dedicated to her. Indeed it was completed in 1513 and consecrated in 1528.

A priest named Simone Cabasso wrote in 1601 about the adventure of Omodei: "it seemed that the mountains (…) were illuminated by an unusual light (…) He clearly felt lifted from the earth, and transported to a garden, and was taken down to the ground." The luminous apparition looked like a 14-year old girl.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck, *'Wonders in the Sky,'* citing Marino Gamba, *'Apparizioni mariane nel corso di due millenni,'* 1999.
Type: F?

Location: Changsu, Jiangsu Province, China.
Date: 1523.
Time: Daytime.

"The Chinese book, '*Stories in a Summerhouse of Flowers,'* written by Qiu Fuzuo, includes an account of an encounter that took place in 1523, in the second year of Emperor Jianjing's reign. At this time there lived a teacher called Lu Yu in the village of Yujiu.

One day when it was raining without stopping, the teacher observed two ships sailing over the woolly clouds above the ruins, in front of his house. On these two ships that measured more than ten fathoms (over sixty feet), two tall men were busying themselves; each one twelve feet tall and wearing a red hat and multicolored clothes. They held a pole in their hands. The ships moved very quickly.

In the home of the teacher Lu Yu that day there happened to be a score of scholars who, alerted by Lu Yu, came out of the house and stood next to him to observe the phenomenon. Then, the men in multicolored clothing passed their hand over the scholar's mouths; their mouths at once became black and as a result none of them could speak. At that moment, they saw a man, escorted like a mandarin and dressed like an old scholar, emerge on one of the ships.

A long time after this, the ships flew away, as if carried by the clouds, and descended again a kilometer away, in a cemetery. The ships set off again; the scholars felt their mouths return to normal. But five days later, Ju Lu died, though nobody knows why."

HC addendum.
Source: Shi Bo, *'China and the Extraterrestrials,'* 1983.
Type: B?
Comments: Obviously a garbled early UFO report. One must wonder what caused Lu Yu's demise.

Location: Moscow, Russia.
Date: 1530's-1540's.
Time: Unknown.

A stunning discovery was made by academician and anthropologist Dr. Rudolph Vanzhaev who at the end of the 20th century was reconstructing the facial features of the famous Russian Tsar Ivan the Fourth (or Ivan the Terrible). Dr. Vanzhaev discovered a diminutive metallic plate in Ivan's skull while he studied it. The strange artifact a little more than one centimeter in diameter, remotely resembled a complicated electronic mechanism. The Doctor concluded that this object somehow increased the intellectual abilities of the Tsar but at the same time, caused his periodic uncontrolled fits of anger. The tiny metallic object with sharp teeth-like protrusions was discovered quite accidentally.

Dr. Vanzhaev was studying the exhumed skeleton of Ivan the Terrible, attempted to find the physiological cause of his death (later it was established that the Tsar's bones contained a huge quantity of mercury, or quicksilver). Moving his hand along the inner surface of Ivan's skull, Vanzhaev felt a small protrusion. Trying to see it better, he took a large magnifying glass and saw something very small and metallic, halfway covered by bone tissue. The device was similar to an electronic chip used in computers or other electronic equipment. When the device was studied closely, using different kinds of techniques and equipment it appeared to be a miniature transmitter of electric impulses to the brain and the heart. Such impulses, emphasized Dr. Vanzhaev, sharply increased the brain's ability to solve the difficult intellectual tasks but at the same time, created various collateral effects that influenced the man's psyche.

The layer of bone tissue that had grown around the metallic device was quite noticeable. This meant according to Vanzhaev, that when Ivan was "implanted" he had been quite young, possibly in his childhood. Ivan the Terrible was born in 1530, so the supposed alien abduction had apparently occurred during the 1530's or 1540's. He became the "Great Duke of all Russia" in 1533 and the Tsar in 1547, and died in 1584. The historic detail in favor of this assumption is that it was known that Ivan the Terrible had the habit of placing his hand on his head, even though he never complained to his doctors of feeling any pains in his head. Another Moscow based researcher Vladimir Alexeevich Smemshuk also mentioned in his books that Ivan the Terrible was under "alien control" and experienced several humanoid encounters at night when he was alone in his bedroom.

HC addendum.
Source: Alexander Bogatikov, *Inoplanetyanin* (Extraterrestrial) newspaper, Ukraine, January 9, 2005.

Comments: Early alien implant?

Location: Near Tolpetlac, Mexico.
Date: December 9, 1531.
Time: Early morning.

57-year old Juan Diego, an Aztec Indian who six years before had converted to Christianity, was on his way to a town nine miles away in order to take part in the holy mass. The route he took led him through stony fields and over small hills. In the vicinity of a small hillock, which is known to the Indians as "Tepeyac" and later became the Spanish name "Guadalupe," he became aware that he was hearing an unknown unearthly music. This music was coming from the top of the hill. He looked up to the hillock, to the side where the sun was rising and from where the wonderful singing originated. And when the singing suddenly stopped, when it was no longer perceivable, he heard how someone from the top of the hillock called, *"Juan Dieguito!"*

When he reached the top of the hill, he saw a noble lady standing there. She invited him to come nearer. Her garment shined like the sun, as if it was reflected by light, and the stone, the rock on which here feet stood, as if sparkled of beams; the glow of her gleamed like jewels, like the most beautiful ornament, the Earth, as if was shining in the glow of the rainbow. Juan Diego fell down to his knees. The apparition once more spoke to him and named herself as the "perfect holy virgin Mary." She claimed to have come so that the people would build her a sanctuary on the "Tepeyac." She said that Juan Diego was the chosen messenger who should bring this request to the bishop of Mexico City.

Bishop Juan de Zumarraga listened to Diego tell his story, but he did not believe his allegations. He sent Juan Diego away with the comment that he wanted to deal with the subject later. Disappointed, Juan Diego went back to the "Tepeyac." When he arrived, he again met with the "queen of the heavens." He bewailed his misfortune and asked her to choose another messenger, preferably someone who was better prepared for the mission. However, the Virgin stressed, "It is absolutely necessary that you go personally and that you request that my Will be carried out." The bishop still did not believe Diego and sent him back and asked him to request some kind of evidence so the bishop could really believe that the "queen of the heavens" had really sent him.

Once again Juan Diego returned to the "Tepeyac" where the mysterious woman was waiting for him. He informed her about the bishop's request and the "Virgin" told him to return tomorrow in order to obtain such evidence. He was told to go to the top of the hill where he had seen the Virgin and there he would see different flowers and pick them, put them together and to then bring them to her presence. Even though it was during the winter and frost covered the grounds, these flowers had apparently grown on top of the barren hill. Juan Diego was ordered to put the flowers into his tilma, an upper garment similar to an apron.

Then the light figure or virgin took the flowers with her venerable hands, then she put them back into his tilma and she told him that go back with the flowers since these were the evidence. He again waited several hours before he could see bishop Zumarraga. When he opened his white tilma, the splendid flowers fell to the ground there the tilma transformed into an omen. Suddenly there appeared the beloved image of the Perfect Lady, of the Holy Virgin Mary. All in the room fell to their knees and admired it greatly. Convinced with the evidence, a chapel was built on the hillock.

HC addendum.
Source: Johannes Fiebag, PhD.
Type: E or F?

Location: Munster, Germany.
Date: 1532.
Time: Unknown.

The Anabaptists at Munster were convinced that they saw luminous apparitions of angels and dragons struggling in the sky, and that they received from them commands to kill those whom the loved best, even brothers, and that they were also instructed to abstain from food for entire months, and that they had the power to paralyze large armies by a look or by their breath.

HC addendum.
Source: Theo B. Hyslop, *'Great Abnormal: Historic Cases of Insanity.'*
Type: F?

Location: Wittenberg, Prussia.
Date: 1553.
Time: Unknown.

Locals saw giant men in the sky over Wittenberg in formerly East Prussia.

HC addendum.
Source: T. Peter Park, *The Anomalist* #10.
Type: E

Location: Guadalupe, Ecuador.
Date: August 13, 1554.
Time: Unknown.

During a terrible drought afflicting the region a group of Christian Indians decided to abandon the new religion and return to their old Gods. As they prepared a pagan rite suddenly they saw a "woman" that was floating over the Earth's surface. The apparition told the Indians that if they build a temple where she was she would put an end to the famine. They did what the strange woman ordered and the famine ended. Interpreted as a Marian vision.

HC addendum.
Source: woe_@vp.pl
Type: E
Comments: Again we see the conditioning and manipulation of humans.

Location: Babocsa, Hungary.
Date: September, 1556.
Time: Sunrise.

Local people saw two naked boys in the sky after sunrise fighting with short swords and with shields on their arms.

HC addendum.
Source: T Peter Park, *The Anomalist* #10.
Type: E?

Location: Paris, France.
Date: 1564.
Time: Unknown.

Catherine de Medici is said to have been the first person to have confronted the famed ‘apparition’ of the little red man or ghost. It was during the construction of the Tulieres, that de Medici came face to face with a gnome-like creature dressed completely in scarlet. It soon became apparent to haughty Catherine that her unannounced companion was not a man of flesh and blood, and she interpreted the strange visit as an omen of bad luck.

As Catherine had already begun to foment trouble between Roman Catholics and Protestants in France, and she induced the king to order the terrible St. Bartholomew’s Day massacre of the Huguenots, scarlet was an appropriate color for the ‘ghost’ to have worn.

HC addendum.
Source: http://theunexplainedmysteries.com/The-Little-Red-Man.html
Type: E

Location: Kolomenskoye, south of Moscow, Russia.
Date: August 29, 1566.
Time: Unknown.

Local peasants in this village located south of Moscow encountered a tall hairy humanoid entity (so-called wood goblin) in this legendary place near the banks of the River Moskva. The frightened locals quickly fled in terror. Other reports indicated that these giant hairy entities have been seen in this area on several occasions and for centuries and reputedly are able to slip into our realm from another dimension. Rumors indicated that there was a gateway or portal into another dimension in the area where large dolmens where located at the bottom of the Golosovyi Gully. Centuries later there were reports of mysterious disappearances of residents in the nearby villages of Dyakovo and Sadovniki between 1825 and 1917.

HC addendum.
Source: Vadim A Chernobrov, *'Encyclopedia of Mysterious Places in Russia: Guidebook of Anomalous Zones and Mysterious and Wonderful Places,'* Moscow 2004.
Type: E?
Comments: These Dolmens are located throughout the Crimean Peninsula and other places in the Ukraine.

Location: (Undisclosed location) Spain.
Date: 1570.
Time: 10:00 p.m.

A 13-year old boy was punished by his mother for his constant disobedience. Some nights later the boy had gone to the family's corral for some chores, however he never returned. Despite an exhaustive search by his parents, brothers and neighbors he could not be found anywhere. However, two hours later a loud racket was heard coming from the boy's bedroom.

The parents rushed into the room and found the boy shaking with fright and covered in bruises and cuts. After he was calmer the boy said that as he walked towards the corral, he was accosted by "several strange-looking men of enormous stature" that took him up into the 'air' at very high speed. Apparently that's all the terrified boy could remember. For years afterward he would still shake with fear when he recounted the strange experience.

HC addendum.
Source: E.O.C. Nr. 73 (El Ojo Critico) citing the works of Grand Inquisitor Antonio de Torquemada.
Type: G?
Comments: Apparently the whole incident was attributed by Torquemada as a "demonic manifestation."

Location: Cracow, Poland.
Date: June 22, 1577.
Time: Unknown.

Pawel Czarny of Olkusz's daughter was abducted during a very heavy thunderstorm. She was returned on June 30, also during a terrible hail storm. She was interrogated by a special inquisition and her report was published in a special bulletin. Unfortunately the manuscript was destroyed. But some polemic papers which survived indicate that she was abducted by unknown creatures and then returned.

HC addendum.
Source: Kryzstof Piechota and Bronislaw Rzepecki *'UFOs in Poland,'* 1996.
Type: G?

Location: (Undisclosed location) Siberia, Russia.
Date: October 25, 1582.
Time: Unknown.

A local nomadic warrior Khan Kuchum observed a phenomenon he termed as a "znameniye." He actually saw the sky open up in "the four corners of the Universe," and exiting it were "bright, armed, winged warriors." As they approached Kuchum's camp, the "warriors" surrounded it, and ordered the Khan to flee. He was shaken, and ordered his camp to leave. They left in fear, and hid in the forest, and it seemed to the Khan he was chased by some "heavenly armies."

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip Mantle, Paul Stonehill *'UFO-USSR.'*
Type: E?
Comments: Otherworldly interference in man's warfare?

Location: Lezajsk, Poland.
Date: 1590.
Time: Unknown.

Tomasz Michaek a man from Giedlarowa was working at a brewery in Lezajsk when he once saw two strange figures interpreted as St Joseph and the Virgin Mary, standing on a forest path. The woman spoke to him, “Don’t be afraid. Here you will find my son’s glory and experience my help. I’ve chosen this place to save people. So go to the elders of your city and tell them that it’s my son’s will that a church should be built here in which people would pray for things they need.” But the witness didn’t tell anybody about it. He thought that no one was going to believe him; a simple man that he was. He asked Mary to choose another person instead of him. She then appeared in a vision again and ordered him to go to the city council and state her will.

He spoke about it to Wojcieh Wyszogradow; a local priest, who was also a member of the city council. They didn’t agree to build a new church since the city was small and it already had a church. Michaek himself then built a pillar with the figure of Christ’s Martyrdom on it in the place he saw Mary. Soon people began to gather around it and soon a small chapel was build there. Soon father Jan Teolog announced the location to be hallowed ground or saintly. Michaek had another vision in which Mark asked him again to build a temple. A church was soon built at the location.

HC addendum.
Source: woe_vp@pl.com
Type: E
Comments: One can only speculate as to why in many of these “Marian” apparitions the Mary entity always ask for a “temple” or church to be built at the location. Like the apparitions of Guadalupe in Mexico.

Location: Aarslev Enge, Denmark.
Date: April 30, 1600.
Time: Afternoon.



Some local villagers had gathered to clean out a stream that was clogged up. The townspeople (15-16 in total) who were to work on the cleaning were resting while the local Alderman was evaluating the situation. Realizing that they couldn't proceed with the work because there was too much water in the stream, he had just announced that they had to postpone the work until another day. When he was about to leave, he saw in a direction something "like a big wagon" materializing on a field some distance away, full of figures both inside and around the 'wagon.' At firs the townspeople thought he was joking, but soon they all gathered as the spectacle came closer. It is described as if it dissolved in certain places while moving closer, and the entities becoming more discernible; being very much taller and fatter, and broad-shouldered than normal people.

Most of these seemed to be dressed in black, except for two of them who wore bloody red garments, and one who wore a white, long cloth. The red dressed ones were a bit slimmer, but also tall. All these figures seemed to be engaged in some kind of playful battle, and they had something akin to spears or swords which they occasionally lifted each other's with into the air. The red figures were surrounded occasionally by smoke. When all this had been going on for 2 ½ hours, another figure joined. This one had a large white "thing" on top of its head, and attacked and scared away the white figure that was already there. This led to the spectators being awestruck.

After this the wagon and the entities started to retract towards a local forested area in the background and eventually disappeared. It was later learned that a local priest was on his way through the forest at around the same time and heard a very large and frightening thunderous sound accompanied by a voice calling in a way that terrified him. Also some local boys had heard the thunderous sounds when later asked.

HC addendum.
Source: Thomas Brisson Jorgensen in Magonia Exchange.
Type: C?

Location: Coast of Novaya Zemlya, Russia.
Date: June 15, 1608.
Time: Unknown.

On his second voyage in search of a northeast passage, two of Henry Hudson's crew; Thomas Hilles and Robert Raynar, saw a mermaid off the coast at about 75 degrees north latitude. It was as big as a human and had a woman's back and breasts, white skin, and long, black hair. When it dived, they could see its speckled, porpoise-like tail.

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *'Mysterious Creatures.'*
Type: E

Location: Baie des Anges, Nice, France.
Date: August 5, 1608.
Time: Evening.

Three luminous craft visited the sky over the location much to the dismay of its citizens. They watched the objects race errantly about for some time, when they suddenly stopped and hovered a few feet above the water. The craft were long, oval in shape and flattened along their lengths, each with a "strange mast" sitting on top of them. The bay waters began to froth underneath them, giving off a dense orange vapor, accompanied by a loud, unpleasant noise.

From one of the craft two vaguely human-looking beings appeared. They were described as being dressed in red clothes covered with silvery scales, with huge heads and luminous eyes. The two creatures, holding cables or tubes attached to the craft, jumped into the water and moved about their ship for around two hours. When they returned inside the object, all three left at a high rate of speed, leaving the terrified residents of Nice wondering at what this omen from God could possibly mean.

HC addendum.
Source: www.subversiveelement.com/UfoNiceFrance.html
Type: B

Location: Genoa, Italy.
Date: August 22, 1608.
Time: Unknown.

Locals reportedly saw a bizarre creature emerging from sea right off the coast. It was described as a human-shaped figure covered in scales and with what appeared to be “snakes” protruding from its hands. Canon fire was directed towards the creature without any apparent effect. Around the same time off the coast of Nice in France, fishermen saw an object that descended towards the sea, a blood-like substance was seen to drop from the object. Others saw three “vessels” moving at high speed above the city.

The three vessels then approached the local fortress and descended to the water, causing a great boiling of the sea and emitting ochre-red vapor. To the great stupor of those present, two humanoid beings, with large heads and large luminous eyes dressed in red scaly combination outfits emerge from the vessels. These humanoids appeared to be connected to their vessels by long tubes. The humanoids spent several hours involved in “strange” work around their vessels. Meanwhile soldiers in the fortress shot cannon at the intruders without any apparent effect.
HC addendum.
Source: CUN Genoa, Also Jean Pierre Petit France.
Type: E & B

Location: Near Marseilles, France.
Date: August 25, 1608.
Time: Evening.

Three days later, a single vessel appeared near Marseilles over the fishing village of Martigues, and again displayed the same erratic flight maneuvers that had been displayed over Nice. It stopped in midair and two beings got out, appearing to engage in an aerial duel of some kind.

The following week there was a heavy fall of red rain, and in the months after, churches were packed with worshipers begging to be spared whatever disastrous fate that was about to befall them. While accounts of these events are sometimes ambiguously worded, it is remarkable that so many people in three separate locations could have imagined such strange occurrences at a time when no flying machines existed.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.subversiveelement.com/UfoNiceFrance.html
Type: B?

Location: Shizuoka City, Japan.
Date: April 4, 1609.
Time: Morning.

A little man rushed into Sunpu Castle and when many soldiers attempted to intercept him, the little man stopped, glanced around and shot up into the heavens. The old Japanese historical text describes the little man as looking like a child without fingers and "tight-fitting skin." (spacesuit?) The soldiers, wonder stricken, reported the incident to the owner of the castle; Shogun Ieyasu, who told the soldiers not to harm the little man. No other information available.

HC addendum.
Source: Round Robin (Nov-Dec 1957) Vol. XIII #4 quoting *UFO News Report*, official organ of the Flying Saucer research group in Japan.
Type: E

Location: St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada.
Date: 1610.
Time: Morning.

Captain Whitbourne relates very circumstantially the appearance of what he considered to be a mermaid in the harbor of St John's, Newfoundland:

"Now, also, I will not omit to relate something of a strange creature that I first saw there in the yeare 1610, in the morning early, as I was standing by the water side in the harbor of St John's, which I espied very swiftly to come swimming towards in, looking cheerfully as it had been a woman, by the face, eyes, nose, mouth, chin, cares, necke, and forehead. It seemed to be so beautiful, and in these parts so well proportioned, having round about upon the head all blew strekes resembling hayre, downe to the necke, certainly it was not haire; for I beheld it long, and another of my company also, yet living, that was not then farre from me; and seeing the same coming so swiftly towards me, I step backe, for it was come within the length of a long pike.

Which, when this strange creature saw that I went from it, it presently thereupon dived a little under water, and did swim towards the place where More 1 landed; whereby I beheld the shoulders and back, down to the middle, to be as square, white and smooth as the back of a man, and from the middle to the hinder part pointing in proportion like a broad-forked arrow; how it was proportioned in the fore part, from the necke to the shoulders, I know not; but the same came shortly after unto a boate, wherein one William Hawkridge, then my arrant, was, that hath bin since a captaine in a ship to the East Indies, and is lately there employed againe by Sir Thomas Smith in the like voyage; and the same creature did put both its hands upon the side of the boate, and did strive to come in to him and others then in the said boate; whereat they were afraid, and one of them stroke it a full flow on the head, whereby it fell off from them, soon afterwards it came to two other boats in the said harbor, the men in them for feare fled to land. This I suppose was a mermaid.

Now, because divers have written much of mermaids, I have presumed to relate what is most certain of such a strange creature that was seen at Newfoundland. Whether it was a mermaid or no, I know not; I leave it for others to judge."

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart *'Mysterious Creatures,'* also Hoggs Instructor Published by James Hogg, 4 Nicolson Street; John M'Leod, Glasgow; W. Curry, Jun & CO. Dublin; and R. Groombridge & Sons, London 1840.
Type: E

Location: Lille, France.

Date: 1613.
Time: Night.

The witness (experiencer) a local farmer, suddenly felt himself projected approximately 5 km from his original location. He found himself in the center of Vaulx-Vraucourt without having known how he got there. He then thought about his fiancée Marie-Claire who lived in the village of Morchies, he found himself passing over the area at high speed, the windows were closed. He panicked and then found himself back home where others saw him "white as an aspirin."

At the same time the witness reports seeing a "cylindrical device" moving quickly between Boisleux-au-Mont and Arras and then at midnight, an oval-shaped object, which moved slowly towards the ground, quietly. It was very bright and orange red in color emitting white sparks around its perimeter. His fiancée who accompanied him during this encounter panicked, and forced him to leave the location. (Apparently the witness had several encounters with strange forces).

HC addendum.
Source: Jean Sider, *'Mystery and Magic of Kidnappings.'*
Type: G?

Location: Near Szczecin, Poland.
Date: July 8, 1618.
Time: Night.

A Klaus Neuman reported seeing a strange light in the night sky. As he watched, he suddenly noticed a pigeon-shaped object that landed near him and transformed itself into a 4-year old boy wearing a white dress who spoke to him. The "boy" disappeared in a few minutes and Neuman noticed a star-like object hovering above him, despite the fact that the sky had been covered in thick clouds all day long and the stars were not visible.

HC addendum.
Source: Krzysztof Piechota and Bronislaw Rzepecki, *'UFOs in Poland.'*
Type: C?

Location: Quimper-Corentin, France.
Date: February 1, 1620.
Time: 7:30 p.m.

The local cathedral had on its roof a pyramid covered with lead. On the above date between 1930 and 2000 thunder fell on that pyramid, and it caught fire, exploded, and fell down with a stupendous noise. People rushed to the cathedral from all parts of the town and saw in the midst of the lighting and smoke, a "demon" of a green color, with a long green tail, doing his best to keep the fire going. This account, which was published in Paris, is supplemented by a more complete version printed in Rennes. This latter version adds that the demon was seen clearly by all, inside the fire, sometimes green, sometimes blue and yellow.

The authorities threw into the roaring fire a quantity of Agni Dei, close to one hundred and fifty buckets of water, and forty or fifty carloads of manure; to no avail. The demon was still there, and the fire kept happily burning. Something drastic had to be done, a consecrated host was placed inside a loaf of bread and thrown into the flames, and then blessed water was mixed with mile given by a nurse of above-reproach conduct and spread over the demon and the burning pyramid. This the visitor could not stand, he whistled in a most horrible fashion and flew away.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee, *'Passport to Magonia.'*
Type: E?
Comments: Very early report describing a green entity or humanoid.

Location: Lublin, Poland.
Date: 1638.
Time: Midnight.



There is a table in the town hall of Lublin which bears the burned imprint of a human hand. Today this town hall is used as a courthouse. Once at night a secretary reported seeing mysterious creatures that frightened her. She claimed to have seen horns on their heads, hidden in their thick black hair. The next day the burned imprint which resembled the palm of a man was found. It is said that "devils" had visited the location, summoned by a woman who remarked, *"If devils would be the judges, the sentence will be more just."*

HC addendum.
Source: woe_@vp.pl
Type: E?

Location: Boston, Massachusetts.
Date: April 11, 1643.
Time: Night.

A group of men saw two lights arise from the water in the form of a man. Then more people witnessed the event. The lights shot out flame and sparkled. The form moved from its location to a distance and back again on several occasions. The same or similar phenomenon was again seen on the 18th.

HC addendum.
Source: Paul Deveraux, *'Earth Lights.'*
Type: E

Location: Volga region, Russia.
Date: About 1650.
Time: Daytime.

One of the local legends from the area of the great Russian river of the Volga tells about the encounter with a huge entity and its horrible fate. A very tall “man” walked into the outskirts of a small Cossack settlement. It was absolutely incomprehensible to the Cossacks where this strange giant had come from. The giant behaved quietly, he was said to be no less than 6 meters in height, (!) and by all signs the humanoid seemed extremely upset.

The giant emanated a powerful “energy wave” or feeling of melancholy. While close to the strange entity, the locals felt uncomfortable and pregnant women in the settlement suffered miscarriages (this of course was blamed on the giant). The giant caused fear and hostility (enmity) by the local residents who eventually killed it. (No other information on how this was done)

HC addendum.
Source: R. Dolya, Volhvy Oriona, Moscow, 2005.
Type: E

Location: Goa, Portugal.
Date: 1655.
Time: Unknown.

According to John Aubrey (1626-1697) “A gentleman of my acquaintance was in Portugal in 1655 when he witnessed the burning at the stake by the inquisition of a man who claimed to have been transported to Goa (Portugal) from eastern India through the air and in a very short time.”

HC addendum
Source: http://cogitz.com/2009
Type: G?
Comments: I venture to say that almost the same thing would happen to anyone nowadays if they would be brave enough to report such a thing.

Location: Ragunda, Sweden.
Date: 1660.
Time: Night.

Peter Rahm and his wife (name not provided) had gone to their farm which is three quarters of a mile from Ragunda parsonage and were sitting there and talking awhile late in the evening when there came a little man at the door, who begged his wife to go and aid his own wife who was in the pains of labor. The fellow was of small size, of a dark complexion, and dressed in old gray clothes. His wife and Peter sat awhile and wondered at the man; for they were aware that he was a "troll" and they had heard that they were called by the peasantry "Vettar" (spirits). But when they had heard his request four or five times, and they thought what evil the country folk say that they have suffered from the Vettar; Peter took the resolution to read some prayers over his wife and to bless her and bid her in God's name go with him.

She took in haste some old linen with her, and went along with him, and Peter remained sitting at home. When she returned, she told him that when she went with the Vettar out of the gate, it seemed to her as if she was carried for a time along in the wind, and so she came to a room, on one side of which was a little dark chamber, in which the troll's wife lay in bed in great agony. She went up to her, and after a little while, aided her until she brought forth the child after the same manner as other human beings.

The man then offered her food, and when she refused it, he thanked her and accompanied her out and then she was carried along, in the same way in the wind and after a while came again to the gate, just at 10 o'clock. Meanwhile a quantity of old pieces and clippings of silver were laid on a shelf in the sitting room, and his wife found them the next day when she was putting the room in order. It is supposed that they were laid there by the Vettar (or troll).

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.skygaze.com/content/strange/Fairies.shtml
Type: G?

Location: River Seavern, near Bristol, England.
Date: October, 1661.
Time: Afternoon.

Several persons (to the number of 15 or 16) having been at a wedding, did after dinner walked abroad by the riverside, some of them walked upon the bank close by the water, others of them at a greater distance, but they all, as they have since reported, saw a cloud rise up out of the water, much resembling the kites flown by local boys. It rose higher and higher until it became a direct cloud in the proper region, and as they stood looking up and gazing upon it, they plainly saw the cloud open, and therein beheld the form and proportion of a tall black man, with a thin meager countenance, who seemed to move to and fro very swiftly, and then suddenly vanished.

After this the cloud closed again and within a very little while they saw it open the second time, and then there appeared a man on horseback, who moved to and fro with great swiftness for a very short space of time, and soon disappeared, upon which the cloud immediately (as before) was shut up, but presently opening again the third time, there appeared the form of a very comely and beautiful lady, who after she had for a while moved backwards and forwards (as the other two had done before) suddenly vanished also, and then the whole cloud dispersed.

None of the spectators are in the lest suspected to have any inclination to fanaticism therefore we doubt not but upon that account the relation will gain credit amongst those, who otherwise are too slow of heart to believe these things.

HC addendum.
Source: Water UFO quoting ‘Mirabilis Annus Secundus,’ year 1662, and Chris Aubeck from the Magonia group.
Type: A?

Location: Grenoble, France.
Date: May, 1664.
Time: Daytime.

17-year old shepherdess Benoit Rencurel was out working on the hillside near a ruined chapel, and had just finished her rosary when an elderly man in a red robe appeared to her, introducing himself as St. Maurice. He found for her a spring of water that she had not seen before, and then told her to go with her sheep to a small valley near St. Etienne "where a great grace would be granted her."

Being a devout girl, she went to the valley the next day. At a spot known as Les Fours she saw the first of a series of visions of a lady and child that were to occur regularly over a period of two months. When asked who she was the figure replied; "I am Mary, the Mother of Jesus. It is the will of my son that I should be honored in this parish though not in this spot. You will therefore ask the priest to come here with his people in procession." A number of healings and miraculous cures were claimed and accepted by ecclesiastical authorities. It is interesting to note that at times the apparition was accompanied by "delicious perfumes" or odors.

HC addendum.
Source: *'Marian Apparitions; Appearances of the Blessed Virgin Mary Our Lady of La Laus.'*
Type: E or F?

Location: Gjov, Faeroe Islands.
Date: January 20, 1667.
Time: Night.

Jacob Olsen, 24, was awakened by a luminous visitor who healed him. He saw him again later, coming from the sky. (Unfortunately no additional information is provided)

HC addendum.
Source: Jacobsen Debes, *Faeroae & Faeroe Reserata (1673).*
Type: E

Location: (Undisclosed location) Japan.
Date: 1672.
Time: Early morning.

In the *Shuh i ki* we find a story which is supposed to have happened in 1672. Early in the morning a villager saw on the roof of his neighbor's house, "a being resembling a dog, but standing erect as a man." It had a sharp beak, the upper half of its body was red, the lower half blue as indigo. Its tail was like a broom several ch'ih (inches) long. Frightened, he called his neighbor and told him what he had seen.

As soon as the latter opened the gate, the being ran up to the clouds and suddenly there was a sound as of thunder. Winding as a snake it went away in a southwestern direction. During its ascent a fiery flash shot out and brushed the sky like a broom. After a while it was extinguished. Several tens of miles around its sound was heard, and there were people who saw it splendor. If a so-called Celestial Dog falls on the earth, it gives out a sound as of thunder. In the year Kiah-Yin of the same period (K'ang-hi) (1674) there was a rebellion.
HC addendum.
Source: Transactions of the Asiatic Society of Japan (Asiatic Society of Japan 1965).
Type: E?

Location: Uelzen near Luneburg, Germany.
Date: 1674.
Time: Unknown.

"In Uelzen near Luneburg some small people with long beards have been seen. They were about the height of an eight year old child, and brown, as though they were heavily tanned. They could not speak, but understood what others said to them, (reacted?) when they were touched, and signaled to farmers that they were hungry. Although no one knows where they come from, it is certain that they have shown up in other places as well."

HC addendum.
Source: Thomas Brisson Jorgensen in Magonia Exchange quoting *'Extraordinaires Maanedlige Relationer,'* December, 1674.
Type: E

Location: (Undisclosed location) Sweden.
Date: May 22-23, 1677.
Time: Night.

On the night between the 22nd and 23rd of May, more than 200 people observed “two armies” in the sky; one in the north, one in the south. Accompanying each army was a “large star.” At first the army in the north drove the southern army back for some distance, but towards the end the struggle became more in favor of the latter, who finally drove the former away.

HC addendum.
Source: Thomas Brisson Jorgensen in Magonia Exchange.
Type: F

Location: Rothwell, Northamptonshire, England.
Date: September 25, 1679.
Time: Evening.

An old record published in 1679 says; “By a letter from Rothwell (commonly called Rowell, in Northamptonshire) we have this account of a strange apparition seen in the air on the 25th of this instant September. After the breaking of a black cloud, there seemed to appear three men in the air; one of them, to wit, he that stood on the right hand, seemed to be in a canonical habit: They seemed to make forward to a dark gross cloud, and as soon as they came to it, they with their arms broke it open; and then there appeared blood, men, and armour confusedly; after this came near 20 men nobly attired (out of the same black cloud), upon whom the three former persons seemed to cast the blood by whole handfuls; upon this the aforesaid 20 persons seemed to retire in confusion.

Next was presented to our sight a very lusty majestic man, whom the first three seemed to reverence, and he to smile upon them, and they stood some minutes in this posture; then one of them marched towards him, and seemed to discourse with him, and in the meantime the other two seemed to go privately behind him, and bespatter him with the same matter that they before cast on the 20 foresaid men; and he seemed to take no noticed at all of it; after this we heard different noises in the air; at first we seemed to hear a noise like the shouts of applause, and presently after the groans as it were of dying peoples when these seemed to be passed over, a confused mixture of different shapes succeeded in the air; some Lions, sometimes lambs, afterwards lions and lambs mixed together.

Afterwards a brisk gale of East Wind arising, dispersed these forms, and restored the heavens to a very great serenity. That this is true, we whose names are subscribed are ready to give it if needed upon oath.
John Hayes, Constable; Matthew Ponder, Churchwarden; William Cornish, Thomas Blockley, Minister; John Allen, Esquire; Henry Hill, of Rothwell, Esquire; Thomas Stephens.”

HC addendum.
Source: Bucks Herald, Buckinghamshire, England, Sat 23 Feb, 1861.
Type: E?

Location: Lisbon, Portugal.
Date: September 17, 1680.
Time: 11:30 a.m.

Numerous witnesses heard a loud report coming from the sky and saw three tongues of flames shooting down into the fields. This occurred three times in a row. A powerful lightning struck parts of the city causing some fires. Around the same time on the nearby fields, a large black cloud-like mass descended towards the ground, emitting a loud thunder like sound. From the cloud emerged a huge hair covered figure that ran swiftly across the fields.

Several locals attempted to chase the creature but this one was too fast. It ran so quickly that it was able to run circles around the stunned locals. It was able to seemingly appear behind them and then in front of them in a matter of seconds. Those who were able to see it close described it as having a huge multi-colored tail, white, blue, and red. Soon after the appearance of this terrible beast a powerful storm destroyed many farms and houses in the area killing over 80 persons.

HC addendum.
Source: Chris Aubeck, *'Return to Magonia,'* quoting Don Julio Alberto de la Hinojosa.
Type: C or E?

Location: Lynn, Massachusetts.
Date: January 26, 1682.
Time: 4-5:00 a.m.

The editor of the Hartford Courant has recently been shown a small volume in manuscript, purporting to be a diary, kept by Mr. Noadiah Russell, who graduated at Harvard College in 1681, and was afterwards a tutor in that Institution, and subsequently the minister of Middletown, Connecticut, having been ordained as such October 21, 1688. From his diary, the editor makes the following extract:

"26th day, 1st month, 1682, it being Sabbath day. In the morning it was very cold; at noon, very warm; at night, between 4 and 5 o'clock, there was a thunder shower, which came from the southwest, wherein was a great storm of hail. The hail stones were near the largeness of a bullet; they broke several squires of glass at College, for they came with a strong wind. Broke glass at Rosharon; and at Lynn it chattered many windows."

Moreover, at Lynn, after sundown, as it began to be darkish, an honest old man; Mr. Hanford, went out to look for a new moon, thinking the moon had changed; when, in the west he espied a strange black cloud, on which after some space, he saw a man, standing on arms complete, with his legs straddling and having a pike in his hands which he held across his breast; which sight the man saw and many others.

After a while the man vanished, in whose room appeared a spacious ship seeming on her sail, though she kept the same station. They saw it, they said, as apparently as ever they saw a ship in the harbor, which was to their imagination the handsomest they ever saw; with a lofty stern, the head to the south, the hull black, the sails bright; a long and resplendent streamer came from the top of the mast; this was seen for a great space, both by these and others of the same town. After this they went to, where, tarrying; but a while, and looking out again, all was gone, and the sky as clear as ever.

HC addendum.
Source: Evening Transcript, Boston Massachusetts, 2-28-1843.
Type: E?

Location: Greater London, England.
Date: October 31, 1684.
Time: Night.

On the EC4 Road at the corner of Water Lane and Fleet Street a Hackney carriage driver picked up a dark figure who wanted to go to Lower Church Yard. The horses, however, refused to move, and when the driver asked the passenger to leave, realized that the figure had transformed into a “bear” with flaming eyes that quickly vanished in a flash.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/reports
Type: E?

Location: Mt. Stromboli, Tyrrhenian Sea, Italy.
Date: May 14, 1686.
Time: Noon.


Mount Stromboli.

"W. A. M. writes to the editor of the New York Sun as follows.

To those whose minds are troubled with doubt as to whether or not there is a hell, the following from the British Naval Chronicles, 1807, may not be uninteresting; *an abstract from the journal of the ship 'Sphinx,' in the year 1690, up the Straits:*

May 12. When we arrived at Manson we found three ships lying there from London, commanded by the Captains Bristol, Brown and Burnaby; all going to Lipari to load.

May 13. These three ships sailed in company with the Sphinx (wind N. W.) to Lipari, where they anchored in twelve fathoms water (wind S. S. W.)

May 14. The four Captains and a Mr. Bell; a merchant, went on shore upon the island of Mount Stromboli to shoot rabbits. About 12 o'clock they called their men together to go onboard their respective ships, when, to their inexplicable astonishment they saw the appearance of two men coming very swiftly through the air toward them; one of them appeared to be dressed in black and the other in gray clothes; they passed close by with the greatest rapidity, and, to their extreme consternation, descended, amid the burning flames into the mouth of that dreadful volcano, Mount Stromboli.

At their entrance there issued tremendous noises; the flames rushed out most terribly, and Captain Burnaby cried out: *"The Lord bless me! The foremost of the two, in black clothes, is old Mr. Booty my next door neighbor at Wapping; but I do not know the other."* He then desired them all to write down in their pocketbooks or note it on something, what they had then seen, which was immediately done by the three Captains and Mr. Bell, and likewise entered in the different ships' journals at the same time.

When the four ships had taken in their loadings at Lipari they sailed together for London. When they arrived in the River Thames, at Gravesend, Captain Burnaby's wife came from London to him. He then sent for the other three Captains to come on board

his ship to congratulate him on his wife's arrival. After they had thus met, a little conversation passed between them in the cabin, when Mrs. Burnaby suddenly started from her chair and said to her husband; "My dear, I'll tell you some news, old Mr. Booty is dead."

He directly answered: "We all saw him go into hell" and told her what they had seen as before related to her serious alarm. When Mrs. Burnaby had returned to London she went to an acquaintance and related this serious event; that her husband had seen the soul of Mr. Booty go into hell on the 14th of May last. This gentlewoman then mentioned the same to Mrs. Booty, widow of the deceased, who immediately took a writ out of the King's Bench Court in the penal sum of 1,000 pounds damages, and arrested Captain Burnaby for defamation upon her late husband's soul.

Captain Burnaby gave bond to stand trial; and he then took out of the Court of the King's Bench, in Westminster Hall, summons for all the people that had attended the late Mr. Booty in his last sickness and at the time of his death; also the sexton of the parish who buried him, and the clothes he last wore before his sickness he had taken care of, to be introduced in court on the day of trial.

When the trial came on the different persons with the black clothes were there met by Captain Burnaby, the Captains of the other three ships and the men of the four boats, with Mr. Bell, who were all on the said island of Stromboli and saw the two apparitions descend into the burning flames on the aforesaid 14th day of May last. Ten of the men of the boats made oath that the buttons on the coat which the apparition had on were like the one present, being molds covered with black cloth the same sort that the coat was made of.

The different persons who were with Mr. Booty at the time of his becoming deceased, made oath that his death happened at 5 o'clock p. m. on the 14th of May last, which was in the year 1686. The jury then asked the Captain of the Sphinx if he knew Mr. Booty in his lifetime. He answered that he never saw him in his lifetime, but plainly observed the dress the apparition had on, which Mr. Booty, in company with another, unknown.

The Judge then spoke; "The Lord grant that I may never see such a sight as that, for I think it impossible for thirty men to be mistaken!"

The jury then gave their verdict against the widow Booty, the plaintiff to pay the costs of the court. The foregoing are facts extracted from the journal of the ship Sphinx's voyage to the Straits in the year 1686. The above trial is now to be seen on the records of the Court of the King's Bench, in Westminster Hall; Mrs. Booty plaintiff, against Captain Burnaby, defendant.

These records are written on parchment in Latin, in the lawyer's old text, hand writing, and are kept in a glass case in the Clerk's office, where, for the sum of 1 shilling, they may be seen by all whose doubt or curiosity may induce them to it."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in magonia exchange quoting *Marietta Journal* (Georgia, USA) Thursday, September 27, 1883.
Type: X?

Location: Cape Ann, Massachusetts.
Date: Summer 1692.
Time: Night.

Ebenezer Babson was returning home late one night when he saw two men step out of his house and dash into a cornfield. When he ran inside to check on his family's welfare, his wife and children were nonplussed by his questions; no intruders had entered the house, they insisted. Babson grabbed a gun and went outside, where he spotted the two men bolting up from behind a log. As they escaped to a nearby swamp, one was overheard saying to the other, *"The man of the house is now come; else we might have taken the house."*

The family retreated to a military garrison not far away, and Babson then sneaked outside, where he encountered the two men again. The following day he came upon them a third time and they chased him into the garrison. Over the next week or two Babson, sometimes alone, sometimes in the company of others, had further encounters with mysterious strangers; suspected to be French-Canadian scouts in league with hostile Indians. On July 14, the entire garrison watched half a dozen of the strangers.

A pursuit party, with Babson in the lead, got within gunshot range. Babson fired on them, and three fell to the ground, only to rise to their feet with no apparent signs of injury. As they fled one turned to fire on Babson; the bullet narrowly missed him and lodged in a tree, from which its intended victim subsequently retrieved it. A few minutes later, the garrison group trapped one of the strangers. Babson shot him and the man dropped. But when Babson and his companions rushed to the spot, no one was there.

Several days' later two scouts from the garrison observed eleven of the strange men as they performed what looked like peculiar incantations. Richard Dolliver fired on them, causing them to scatter. As sightings continued, the strangers were accused of beating on barns, throwing stones, and other acts. Babson experienced one of the last sightings. Seeing three strangers, he dived behind a bush and waited in ambush; only to have his gun misfire. The strangers gave him a disdainful glance and walked on. After that they were never seen again.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Unexplained!'*
Type: E

Location: (Undisclosed location) Poland.
Date: 1693.
Time: Morning.

"One noble and God-fearing man woke up in the morning and was praying in the garden when he saw a 'flying man' who was flying without wings, because evil was carrying him."

HC addendum.
Source: direct from woe_@vp.pl quoting ancient agriculture handbook by Jan Kazimierz Haur.
Type: E

Location: Tobolsk, Russia.
Date: November 25, 1696.
Time: 2:00 p.m.

An object split into four luminous parts, the center being dark, with a human form inside. The report reads: “On Sunday, at 2 p.m., there appeared in Tobolsk a sign in the sun: it split into four pats, as it were, and the rays from the sun were light, but in the middle it was dark. And among these parts one could see in the darkness something like a man with extended arms.”

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck, *‘Wonders in the Sky,’* citing Cherepanov, *Aerial Fears of Tobolsk in Olden Days-from the Siberian Olden Days* (Tobolsk, 1882)
Type: A?

Location: Coast of Orkney Islands, Scotland.
Date: 1698.
Time: Unknown.

A Merman with the bearded face of an old man was seen off the Orkney Islands. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *'Mysterious Creatures.'*
Type: E

Location: Sepola, Corsica, France.
Date: December 24, 1698.
Time: Night.

A local shepherd who was out in the fields, observed from a distance; a strange mist or fog suddenly take form above the small village, totally covering it. Not thinking too much about the fog, he prepared himself to attend church the next day. Arriving at the village, he noticed that the strange fog had already dissipated but found the village strangely deserted.

Unnerved and terrified, he traveled to the nearby village of Moltifao and alerted the local priests and Gendarmes (police) who formed a search party that was unable to find any dead bodies or other villagers. They did locate a trail of footsteps that led to the local metal smith's residence. He was found terrified and hiding, and told a strange story of seeing a huge ball of fire rising from the ground near his hut. At the scene, a circular depression was found on the grass, and it is said that nothing grows there to this day.

HC addendum.
Source: *Trait d'Union* (Tau Ceti) Nr. 9, August 16, 1988, and Claude Mauge in "Cuadernos de Ufologia" Nr. 31, 2005.
Comments: Permanent abduction in 1698?
Type: G

1700-1799

Location: Sahalahti, Eastern Finland.
Date: August 1700.
Time: Midday.

An old man; a smith named Tiittu, is said to have disappeared shortly after a flying disk hovered over the village. His son went to search for him, and met a being he perceived as a "bear" who said he had flown off.

After Tiittu had gone to the forest, the same day villagers saw a huge disc hovering above the village. It stayed without moving for a moment, then started to fly out to the direction where Tiittu had gone to. Villagers believed that it was a mark of the end of the world. They were horrified. For two days they stayed inside praying, singing religious songs and confessing their sins. Only on the third day were they calm enough to go back to their normal work.

When Tiittu didn't return, the villagers started to look for him. In the forest Tiittu's son suddenly met a big being looking like a bear. The being started to speak in Finnish; "Don't be afraid. I can tell you that you are looking for your father in vain. You saw that 'sky ship' like a rainbow; it took your father up to the heights, to another, better world, where lives a race much higher than your people. Your father feels good there and doesn't miss his home." The bear disappeared, and they stopped looking for Tiittu.

"All the people of Sahalahti were talking about the mysterious case. Then they got a new priest, who announced in the church; "This story speaks of sinful witchcraft, and it represents the imagination of drunken and mad people, so you'd better forget it."

HC addendum.
Source: Tapani Kuningas, in the Finnish magazine *Vimana* (No. 3-4, 1967) and later in his book *Ufoja Suomen taivalla* (Helsinki, 1970).
Type: G

Location: Midwest, United States.
Date: Circa 1700.
Time: Unknown.

According to Chippewa Indian lore, some Indians were walking over the plains when they saw someone sitting on the grass; it was a man. When they approached, he halted them by raising his hand. He said, *"I don't belong here. I dropped from the above."* They wished to take him home with them. He told them to go home and clean the place where he was to stay. Then he would return with them. After they had done this, they came back for him. He was a nice-looking man, clean and shining bright. He stayed with them.

Every day at sundown, he watched the sky. In a clear voice he said, "Something will come down, I will go up." He said he had been running in the sky. There was an open place; he couldn't stop running, so he dropped through. One day in the afternoon he said, "Now it's coming." Everyone looked up but they could see nothing for a long time. The man who had kept the "Sky man" at his home could see better than the others. He saw a brilliant star shining way up in the sky. The other Indians didn't see it until it came near the ground. They had never seen anything nicer in the world. Two men got a hold of it and pulled it down. The "sky-man" got into it.

Then it rose and he was gone. They had tried to get him to stay but he said that he must go.

HC addendum.
Source: Charles Brown, Historical Society of Wisconsin.
Type: B?

Location: Urals, Ekaterinburg region, Russia.
Date: 1700.
Time: Daytime.



Two men working in a mine extracting malachite and other ore had gone for a brief rest in a nearby meadow. They lay down on the grass and went to sleep. Suddenly one of the men named Stepan Petrovich awoke by a sudden push on his side. He then saw a strange "woman" sitting in front of him near a large stone. Her outer appearance was that of a very attractive young woman with black plaited hair, she had several red and green beads attached to her plaits. She was not very tall and moved with inhuman speed, like mercury, changing her position numerous times. Petrovich called her "mercury-girl."

Petrovich then heard her speaking to someone that was apparently invisible in a language that was totally unknown to him, evidently laughing at the witness and obviously talking about him. Her manner of dress amazed Petrovich, she wore something like a silk dress but apparently made out of malachite stone. (?)

The witness became frightened, since he had already heard tales of encounters with a strange female entity in this same area. She was called "The Mistress of Copper Mountain." He also heard of the different tricks played on humans by entity or entities, he thought to escape, but she suddenly turned around and smiling said,

"So why are you staring at my beauty Stepan Petrovich? People pay money just to look at me, Come closer, we will talk a bit." Somehow the stranger knew the witness name.

Seized by fear, Stepan told her that he had no time to talk, but she insisted and the young man was forced to obey. The stranger ordered Stepan to approach her and at this point he noticed what appeared to be hundreds of "lizards" all around her, off different colors, green, bluish, brown ones with gold spots, etc.

"Don't step on them!" The strange woman warned, *"They are my army. Look how big and heavy you are and they are small."*

She then clapped her hands and the lizards went away. Stepan came closer to her and stopped, but the strange woman clapped her hand again speaking to him in a

humiliating manner, and threatening him,

"Now you have no place to go, if you step on my servants, you will be in trouble!" He looked down and saw hundreds of lizards gathered at one spot.

The female then said, *"Now you have recognized me Stepan. Don't be afraid. I will not harm you."* But Stepan pointed out that he was indeed very afraid.

The strange woman then ordered Stepan that tomorrow once he was down at the mine he must tell his bosses the following words, *"The owner-mistress of the Copper Mountain is ordering you, you stinking he-goat; (!) leave the Red Mountain pit at once. If you continue in destroying my iron cap, I will drop the entire copper deep into the bowels of the Earth and it will never be found."*

She made Stepan repeat her order and again told him not to be afraid. She then ordered Stepan to leave and not to tell anything to his companion. She clapped her hands once more and the lizards again went away. She jumped up grabbed a stone and also ran away.

At this moment the stunned Stepan noticed that her outer appearance had suddenly changed, he could see now that she had green paws, a tail with a black crest running down her back, but her head still remained human in appearance.

She climbed to the top of the mountain and said, *"Don't forget what I told you Stepan, if you follow my instructions, I will marry you!"* Stepan replied disgusted that he would never marry a lizard and spat in her direction.

She laughed and said, *"We will meet again later, maybe then you would have reached a decision."* She then jumped again and disappeared behind a large rock. The stunned Stepan pondered what to do since he was both afraid of the reptile woman and his boss. But soon he made the decision to do what he was asked.

The next morning he approached his boss in the pit and gave him the message. This infuriated his boss, who accused Stepan of being either drunk or crazy. But Stepan remained firm stating that it was the Mistress of the Copper Mountain's will. The boss then ordered the others to tie up Stepan with a chain and to beat him mercilessly. He was then imprisoned deep in an underground pit, riveted by a long chain, and exposed to mockery and humiliation.

When Stepan was left alone he began beating on the rock, causing the malachite to crumble. Suddenly it became dry around him and in a moment he saw a bright light and the lizard woman standing before him, she said, *"Good man, Stepan Petrovich. You have honored me, you were not afraid of your boss."*

The woman then told Stepan to follow her, that she always kept her word, she was going to show him her dowry. She clapped her hands and hundreds of lizards appeared, quickly removing Stephan's chain. She then invited Stepan into her realm. They went deep into the mountain. She walked ahead, Stepan following closely.

Amazingly Stepan watched as they penetrated deeper and deeper into the rock, which appeared to recede in their path. He then saw huge tunnels, caverns and large underground rooms, with decorated walls, with copper flowers. The surroundings

looked stunning to Stepan. The woman's dress also appeared to be changing colors, sparking like a diamond, and then shining with a greenish tint.

Soon they entered a huge room with beds, chairs, stools, all made out of copper. The walls were made of malachite, encrusted with diamonds and the ceiling was dark red with copper flowers.

The Lizard Queen then ordered Stepan to sit and asked him if he liked her dowry and if he would marry her. Stepan was hesitant since he already had a bride named Anastasia. He answered that her dowry was a king's ransom but he was just a working simple man. She frowned, and said, *"Don't hesitate, will you marry me or not?"* Stepan answered that he couldn't since he already had a bride. He was afraid that the woman would become angry.

But incredibly, the Lizard Queen was thankful and appreciative for his honesty and gave Stepan a present for his wife, a malachite box filled with all types of jewelry. Stepan then asked how he would get back. She told him not to worry, that it all will be arranged, and added that he would be liberated from his boss and that he would live a rich life with his bride.

He was then fed various kinds of food and then the Lizard Queen bade farewell, giving Stepan several stones pointing out that they would make him rich. Stepan then asked which way he should go, the Lizard Queen then pointed with her clawed hands at the stone wall and a hole appeared in front of his eyes that led into a tunnel. Stepan followed the tunnel in which he saw many "treasures." As he walked the tunnel closed behind him automatically.

Soon after this adventure, Stepan became rich and lucky and people rumored that he had "traded his soul with the Devil." The work in the mine soon stopped and everything happened as the Lizard Queen had predicted. But unfortunately Stepan's health deteriorated and he began "fading away." Several years his dead body was found near the abandoned Red Mountain pit mine, it is said that he had a smile on his face and his rifle was lying nearby. Locals reported seeing a tall green lizard type figure standing over him and crying over his body.

Source: Pavel Bazhov (1879-1950) "Mistress of Copper Mountain" Also
Published in Moscow in 1983.
Comments: Reputed to have been a "folk tale" based on true events. There are indeed similarities to modern encounters and reports of underground facilities.

Location: Draganesti, Prahova, Romania.
Date: Autumn 1702.
Time: Afternoon.

During the late afternoon, a great cluster of clouds appeared from the direction of the Carpathian Mountains. Within a short time the sky had become contorted and black as if a great snow was to fall. Instead only a huge lump of ice half as tall as a man fell into the paddock adjacent to the local tavern. It was clear that there was something embedded in the ice. The innkeeper fastened it to a sleigh and dragged it into the hostelry where it swiftly melted, revealing a creature mottled blue in color and naked of hair.

All that saw it agreed that it looked like a hairless, long faced, homunculus (monkey) with ragged wings and whip-like tail. The enterprising innkeeper had the creature skinned and mounted over the bar trestle. It appears to have been a successful draw for visitors from far and wide until three years later when it was seen by a traveling (Scythian) monk who insisted that the remains of the creature should be burnt at once; and so it was.

HC addendum
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting Egorov Raczaw, 1728, *'Prahova Travel Journals.'*
Type: H?

Location: Vienna, Austria.
Date: June 24, 1709.
Time: Unknown.

A machine-like “ship” with a sail on top of it was seen in the heavens on June 24th in Vienna. There was panic in the streets. A man clothed like a monk was aboard, who tried to land the machine but a sudden wind forced the ship towards the spire of St. Stephens Cathedral (Stephansdom) and the sail got stuck there. The man succeeded finally to free the ship from the tower and landed on a place where soldiers protected him from the mob (also allegedly 20 people were trampled and killed in a tumult because of the spectacle).

The man dressed like a monk was taken to a public house where he took rest for a few hours and where he handed letters over. He explained his journey with his new invented airship started in Lissabon on June 22nd. He describes also his continuous fights with several kinds of birds and storks and that without using his two axes and four shotguns to protect himself he would not have arrived alive.

HC addendum.
Source: Daniel Guenther in Magonia Exchange quoting Stadtarchiv, Wien, Sig. E55700.
Type: B or H?

Location: Yekaterinburg region, Ural, Russia.
Date: 1719.
Time: Unknown.

Men working for the famous plant owner, industrialist; Demidov, engaged in finding ores in this region of the Urals, reported capturing a strange gnome-like entity, which they found living underground in a cave. The weird creature reportedly lived for a time inside Demidov's canary cage, but it died several days or weeks after it was caught, either as a result of inadequate shelter, or more likely as a result of inadequate nourishment.

Knowing about the interest in weird things by the first Russian Czar Peter the Great, Demidov ordered that the body of the strange gnome-like creature be "pickled" and shipped by convoy to the capital of Saint Petersburg where the dead body of the dwarf was eventually put into what was called a "Kunst-camera" (a sort of special museum for bizarre and weird things created by Peter the Great).

Hundreds of years later during the 1960's, one of the scientific research team members working with professor Dr. V. F. Porshnev PhD (a famous Soviet anthropologist) investigated the story and Dr. Porshnev who was also a researcher on relic hominoids and "snow man" reports, made an inquiry to the museum (despite the fact he had no interest on so-called dwarfs or gnomes).

The answer was strange. There wasn't any gnome in the "Kunst-camera," the whole thing apparently had just been an unusual "dwarf-monkey" that was transferred to the Zoological museum in 1936. The researchers were puzzled and realized that Demidov could have hardly fooled Peter the Great by sending him bogus materials, and they also knew that there were no such "monkeys" living among the cold pine forests of the Ural Mountains.

Apparently what had happened was that researchers in the 1930s became interested in this extremely unorthodox and inconvenient exhibit and for the sake of "modern science" it was transferred to a hidden repository away from people. Evidently it was uncommon in appearance and was not a monkey, and was very different from Homo sapiens.

According to ancient legends, there are underground cities, caves and tunnels under the Ural Mountains where these alien entities dwell on a regular basis.

HC addendum.
Source: Tatyana Samoylova in: *NLO* magazine Saint Petersburg #44, October 25, 2004.
Type: H?
Comments: Compare this case to the 1996, Kyshtym dwarf entity who allegedly also died after being captured.

Location: Nordrehough parish, Aadalen Valley, Norway.
Date: Beginning of June, 1720.
Time: Afternoon.

"The belief in people being abducted by the subterranean is as old in this country as it is widespread. This as well as other superstitious belief are lately beginning to be shaken by the general illumination of the people; but in the mountain area is still held strong, and not many years ago in the north of Gubbrandsdalen Valley there happened an abduction which stirred both the common people and the priest, and found great confidence. Among all such happenings is however the one that happened in 1720 in Aadalen Valley particularly documented, there being among the University's manuscripts about this, a detailed explanation before the court, which may be known among some of our readers by way of a Danish journal, but which have such great interest on the history of superstitions, we do not hesitate in bringing it in full in our paper. This explanation goes as such:

Examination conducted on the 7th and 8th August 1720 at Nordrehoughs rectory at Ringeriget, in the presence of Mr. Daniel Rami and Mr. Diderich Stillings, regarding the beginning of June in the Aadalen Valley in Nordrehough parish, according to story, into mountain abducted girl, Astri Olsdatter, age 15, employed at the farm Scharud in said Aadalen Valley, and born by parents Ole Elsrud and Guru Nielsdatter the same place, whose account is such:

When she was shepherding some cows ½ mile from the Scharud farm, in the afternoon, she heard some music up in the mountain, and she was standing and listening to the music, when she saw a man of pose, speech, and clothes the likeness of the man she was employed at, Niels Scharud, come as if from home and asked her if she heard the beautiful music, at which she answered yes; then he asked her if she would throw away her knife, which she carried in her sheath, into the next rockery, which she did.

Then he went in front of her and asked her to follow, and she obeyed, and when they had walked a while he grabbed her under by the arm and led her, so they would advance quicker, and when they reached a big straight road they met four men wearing red shirts, black trousers, blue stockings, black shoes with buckles, a black round cap, and had blond hair, in the same instant her employer changed his appearance too, and suddenly were inside the mountain (not knowing how); she only saw a door being closed behind her; the door was larger than a gate, had no lock or hinges, seemed very shiny, more beautiful and red than brass, seemingly beaten with brass nails all over.

Inside the mountain, when she entered, in the middle of the floor was an extraordinary large man, with gold wig and black hat on the head, dressed like the others, who, when he saw her said "they got her anyway." Thereafter, the girl says, she

cried a lot, and a priest (dressed like any other priest) told her to stop crying and be joyful on account of all the glory she could see and take part of. The same priest had a silver can in one hand, and a silver cup in the other, which he put into her mouth, but she would not taste anything thereof, and he carried it back again, and she was (like she says) touched on the head by the hand of the extraordinary large man, and was told to stop crying.

Then she tells of being placed in an armchair made as if of silver and gold, with a strange shape (she did not know how to describe it), there were two blue silk pillows there, one on the seat and one at her back, very soft, and she fell deep down. Then, said the girl, a woman came to her (pointed at the priest, saying it was her husband) with a plate in her hand and asked her to eat, with these words:

That she knew she was hungry, and gave her the food, and asked her to eat; also lifted the girl's head up, and asked her not to closer her eyes but to look at her and the others, the wife of the priest stood beside her a long time, and eventually brought her a cup to drink from. But the girl would not taste any of the food or drink, she took it away again and placed it on a large table, with seats for a hundred people, filled with many various foods, jugs, mugs and cups, like a wedding, and the table was covered with a cloth.

The girl said the priest's wife and the others came to her with various kinds of food and asked her to eat, holding it up to her mouth, but she did not taste any of it. The girl mentioned, meat, sugar, butter and cheese. Then the girl said, the priest's wife said she wanted to show her daughters, that she would be happy for it; whereupon a large crowd of women and men appeared to come in, and the priest's wife said:

Do you know see how many daughters I have, which, according to what the girl says, were dressed with mottled caps, with much red in between, nightcaps with red lace, rings, and chains in the ears, hanging down to the shoulders, gold chains around the neck, and very white neck and skin, blue shift, mottled jersey, with red and blue colors and full of gleaming stars, very wide red skirts, red aprons, red shoes, gold chains across the waist hanging down the side and rings on the fingers, all done (like the girl said) like it was brand new.

These so-called daughters of the priest's wife went towards the girl and stroke and patted her on the shoulders, asked her to stay with them; took off their rings and wanted to give them to the girl, and as the girl says, she heard them say unto each other; *"Oh that she would stay with us!"* Right thereafter says the girl, the priest's wife and the others sought to persuade her to speak, with the promise that they would care much for her, which the priest's wife repeated so that if she would speak the girl should see her ten sons, which in that same instant appeared, and asked where the girl was, whereupon the priest's wife pointed for them.

They went closer to the girl, and the priest's wife assured the girl that if she wanted to stay, she could choose any one of the sons she wanted, and the girl heard each son ask

her if she wanted him and that they wished that to be so. On that she would stay here. Then the girl says, the priest's wife spoke to her:

"If you will speak, your mother and aunt will come," and she immediately saw her aunt come to her with a plate in her hand, and tried to persuade her to eat it, saying: Haven't you been at my place so often and eaten, eat now too; and when the girl still did not want to eat; the 'aunt' said:

Now comes Guru (which is the girl's mother) too, which appeared and seemed just like her mother, having a silver mug in one hand, from which she poured into a cup she held in her other hand, and gave it to the girl, saying: Drink you fool; pouring the cup into her mouth, but the girl jerked her head sideways and kept her mouth closed. At that instant her mother disappeared, and her aunt came back again, saying: Better me than you. And they could still not persuade the girl, she said the priest's wife asked her if she wished to see the bride which instantly appeared with a crowd of men and women dressed like before described.

The bride was dressed with a red crown on her head, shining like fire, and yellow hair, gold chains, ear rings, and wreaths around the neck, a chain around her waist shining like hot iron; also a red skirt and red shoes with buckles, a crowd followed her behind and in front, and the sons of the priest's wife met them in the middle of the floor, with mugs and cups in their hands, and served the bride's crowd, who all displayed themselves before the girl, showing her their magnificence, promising the bride that if she would speak, they would give her their bride and all her glory and clothes, that she would be just as pretty as her, heard them repeat the words among themselves:

Oh that she would stay here. And there entered an extraordinary big and fat man with half black and half blue boots on, and buckles, looking like a red cap, which rattled a lot as he went, and the most distinguished of the crowd met him with numerous drinking vessels of jugs, mugs and cups, which all gleamed like flames; and having drunk, he asked for the girl, and went to her with a red cup in his hand and said, "She is very beautiful," asked her if she would have him, and also wished that she alone would drink from his cup, then she would immediately forget both her father and mother.

As the girl would not drink from his cup, he put the cup into her mouth, but she turned her head to the side and closed her lips tight; he then left her a short while and came back and asked her to remove the ugly shepherds' horn she was wearing and the brass buckle she had on her chest, and remove her clothes, that he would give her better and more pretty clothes, which he had only just finished saying, when big chests as if made of gold and silver were opened, from which many clothes were removed, one more stately than the next, and showed her these and chains, looking like flames and asked her to wear these instead of her brass buckle.

Also some chains were put on her lap, she said these were heavy, and she was told she could keep them. Finally the bride asked that another chest be opened, so the girl could have a more beautiful shepherd's horn, the chest seemed chock full, wherefrom something was put in her lap and in her hand, after the previously mentioned chains had

fallen down from her lap as if by themselves, into a nearby chest, the girl heard these words spoken:

She will not even touch them, and once more was asked to speak, which she did not want, the horns were removed and said: We have nothing for doing all this. Then the girl said, that bride and groom with their crowd, more than 100 people sat down at the table; the bride at one end of the table and the groom with the priest at the other end, the girl was near the bride, though a little away from the table, and on a taller chair than the others, so she could better observe; whereupon they started eating and drinking without saying any prayers first.

And, said the girl, some were standing beside her, asking her to eat and drink and others were dancing in various ways on the floor, accompanied to an indescribably beautiful music from all kinds of instruments. She saw the groom send over the table, a silver bowl, in which the bride gave money, and gave the girl a coin in her hand and said that she should put the coin into the bowl, with assurance that she would get all the money put in it. But as she was not persuaded to do so, the bride took the coin back and told the girl:

You better run away; and the bowl was sent back to the groom, and the groom arose asked if the girl had put a coin in the bowl. The bride answered no, and another went from the table, took the bowl over to the girl and gave her a coin to put into the bowl, and since she still would not, he went back with the bowl and the coin, and they continued to eat.

The girl explains that when the meal was over, the bride was led over to the groom, who both came to the girl and asked her to dance with the bride, and was lifted down from the chair; but as she was not persuaded, the groom danced with the bride, and then danced with all the others, until the girl heard some of them complain about the ugly bell sound they heard, and swearing so horribly, walking over the fire in the chimney; they then told the priest's wife: they better get her out again.

The girl said the priest's wife grabbed her under the arms and crushed her hard on her chest, but one, who were standing in the floor, said to the priest's wife: Do not hurt her, we will always get her again. She was carried out of the same door she entered, and put down on a green spot, just above the farm, which the girl thought she recognized as the one where she was employed, and the priest's wife asked her to stay there and then ran away.

The girl says she does not know how long she was there, but in the morning, as the sun was coming up, a man in a red shirt came to her and told her: If she wanted to speak now, she could enter inside again, and he carried the girl to the fence on the farm where she was employed, and put her down, said; *"Run now, let's see how quickly you can go."*

Which the girl did, and opened the living room door and something hard fell towards her, and she had to push against the door, and the woman and girl inside became aware of her, and did not dare to approach her, the girl asked to come inside,

which she did, and they asked her if she wanted food or drink while the girl desired something to drink, whereupon the woman fetched a bowl of milk, which the girl thought not big enough, and desired a bigger one, which she obliged, and when she had just one mouthful of it she was no longer thirsty.

Then says the girl, the woman got some bread and put it on the fire and threw a basket over her head, and she says while she ate or drank only small amounts, feeling powerless, having headaches and being sleepy.

Finally, said the girl, when she was well again, she was allowed to go home to her parents where she stayed 14 days, and where she was not admitted to mass, but was referred to the clerk, for better Christian education, where she travelled by road the day after, together with four peasants, and the four men explained they saw a similar appearance as the girl, walking next to her, which she was not aware of, until they threw a knife over her head, and told this to her, she came to the clerk and when she had been there a few days was admitted to the priest, and everything is described herewith, as it was told. Finally the girl; Astri Olsdatter, answered several questions made to her.

That she was not aware of being missing for 5 days except after her being told so by the adults, it all seemed to her no more than half a day, during which she did not speak a word.

That she did not the same day she was abducted eat any kind of root, berry, leaf or grass, nor lying on the ground while she was standing listening to the music, she became drowsy.

That the mountain people way of speech as not exactly like mountain people (i.e., humans) but more like a dialect and very raw and stupid, though the female's speech was nicer than the others.

That she did not feel any hunger, thirst, sleep or anything else while she was inside the mountain, for the time did not seem long, and she did not need it.

That the room she was in, was very large, larger, higher and longer than the Church, the walls and the roof smooth like brass, and all over fitted like with tin bolts; with a chimney made of brass; the table she could not see as it was covered by a blue silk cloth.

That she did not see either Sun the moon, or daylight, most light coming from the red candles, and the fire in the chimney and she saw, when the door was opened and someone went out and went in, seemingly green meadows outside, little children with no other difference, also seen that they filled fowl with bacon and put them on spears over the fire, which she had never seen until now.

That she was not depressed, or ever went sleep-walking at any time.

That she had never heard any fairytale about such happening but she has heard about the mountain people and other things but not that some old folks, at about the same place she was taken, had seen a few shepherd children walking, but with a mountain dog, and if any approaches them they shall be forever connected."

Datum et supra.

J. Must
(District Governor of Buskerud)

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braene in Magonia List, quoting “Illustrerer Nyhedsblad” Christiana Norway, October 3, 1858.
Type: G
Comments: The similarity to modern day abduction accounts cannot be ignored, albeit different types of beings are involved.

Location: Faroe Islands, Denmark.
Date: 1723.
Time: Unknown.

Members of a Royal Danish Commission investigating supposed sightings of "mermaid" like creatures in the area watched such a figure approached their vessel. It sank into the waters but surfaced shortly afterwards to stare intently at them with its deep-set eyes. A few minutes of this scrutiny proved so unsettling that the ship affected a retreat. As it was doing so, the merman puffed out his cheeks and emitted a "deep roar" before diving out of sight.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Unexplained!'*
Type: E

Location: Bologna, Italy.
Date: December 17, 1728.
Time: Unknown.

Residents in the area saw in the sky an object having the appearance of a cross, followed by the appearance of a young man on a horse, with a helmet on his head, decorated with feathers. This caused great consternation among the people. On the 18th there was a great earthquake in the province of Marche.

HC addendum.
Source: Pierre Delval, *'Contacts of the 4th Type.'*
Type: E

Location: Finis Terrae Cape, Galicia, Spain.
Date: 1729.
Time: Unknown.

A local story claims that three men came out of a cloud, had a meal at the market, then took off again and flew south.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck *'Wonders in the Sky,'* citing Benito Jeronimo Feijoo, *'Teatro critic universal* (1726-1740)*, Volume Three'* (1729).
Type: B?

Location: (Undisclosed location) Bermuda.
Date: April 29, 1736.
Time: Unknown.

"They write from Bermudas, April 29, that a sea-monster had appeared on their shore, whose upper part was of the shape and bigness of a 12-year old youth, and long black hair; his lower parts resembling a fish. That being affrighted he who looked to the sea, and was pursued by several people, one of whom was just going to strike him with a fish-gig, but upon their approach, were surprised with compassion at the human likeness that they had not power to do it."

HC addendum.
Source: Caledonian Mercury, Midlothian Scotland, Tuesday August 17, 1736.
Type: E

Location: Coast of Exeter, Devon, England.
Date: November, 1737.
Time: Unknown.

Fishermen on the shore caught a four foot tall humanoid, with duck-like feet and a tail protruding from its back. It tried to escape, but was killed when the fishermen beat it with sticks. Another fish-man was caught a few months later in the same area, though this one was described with more seal-like qualities.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/reports/
Type: H

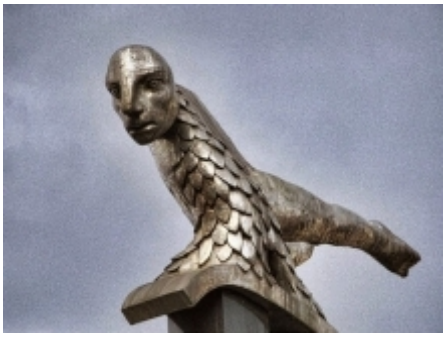
Location: Vigo, Spain.
Date: May 10, 1739.
Time: Daytime.



It is said that on this date, local fishermen encountered a strange marine creature. According to the Irish Paper *Belfast Newsletter* who reported the incident the next day; the sea creature or 'monster,' a type of merman, was allegedly captured by several of the local fisherman. Its description is bizarre, it was about 1.7m in height, from head to toe, and wore large whiskers and beard.

Its skin was dark and hairy. Its neck was peculiar, it was very long, its arms were short, but it had very long and large hands in proportion to its body, with long fingers, with claw like nails. Its toes were also very long and resembled those of a duck, with fin-like protrusions around its talons which resembled the "wings depicted on the feet of the mythical God Mercury." The strangest part was the large fin like protrusion on its lower back about 30cm in length and 40cm in width.

Unfortunately it is not known what became of the strange creature, if it was returned to the ocean or if it was kept at the Port of Vigo for some time. The paper did not record it. Curiously the port of Vigo has among its many tourist attractions the statue of a strange sea creature said to have been dedicated to the Merman or Siren.



Merman Statue in the Port of Vigo.

HC addendum.

Source: Criptozoologia en Espana, http://criptozoologos.blogspot.com/ Type: E

Location: Hall of Shaka, Mt. Hiei, Japan.
Date: March 7, 1740.
Time: 3.00 a.m.

Some repairs were being carried out to the western tower of the Hall of Shaka with two officials in charge of the work. Among the retainers of these officers was a man of about thirty by the name of Kiuchi Heizaemon. In the early evening this man suddenly disappeared without a trace. Searching for him high and low they found, scattered in odd places in the temple garden, his wooden sandals, his short sword bent like a pothook with its scabbard smashed, and his under-sash cut into three pieces.

Realizing that it must be the work of "Tengu" (a mythological creature) they continued their search, ordering prayers and spells to be recited in all the temples and haunted spots on the mountain, that night at about 2 a.m. there was a sound like the blast of a mighty wind, and a voice was heard calling, *"Tanomo, tanomo."* Rain was falling heavily and the mountain was still deep in snow, so that little could be seen outside. But a man called Suzuki Shichiro following the voice, ventured out into the garden and saw standing on the roof of the temple a strange winged figure.

"Help! Help me down!" it cried.

"Are you not Heizaemon?" Shichiro asked

"Yes," replied the figure.

Shichiro then saw that what had seemed to be wings attached to the figure was in fact the broken frame of an open umbrella. A crowd began to gather, and at last a workman called Shirobei climbed up on the roof to help the man down. Heizaemon at once fainted, so that Shirobei had to strap him to his back with a sash, and crawl down on his stomach.

For three days Heizaemon lay unconscious. When at last he came to his senses he told them that at about three o'clock in the morning he had heard a voice calling his name. He had gone outside to look, and there at the entrance of the temple was a small 'priest' wearing wide trousers and a black robe tucked up short.

As Heizaemon approached he was joined by another man with a red face and wild black hair, wearing ceremonial dress. *"Come up on the roof!"* they ordered him. Heizaemon laid his hand on his sword, but at once the two strange figures seized him, and in the ensuing struggle his sword was bent like a pothook and its scabbard smashed.

"Take off your sash!" They then cried and when Heizaemon refused they tore it off him and cut it into three pieces. Then they dragged him up on the roof and were beating him hard with a big stick when a tall priest in a red robe appeared and shouted angrily, *"Stop!"* They whispered something together and then the first two strangers said *"You must come with us."* Thinking that it would be the worse for him if he refused, Heizaemon did as he was told, and stepped on to a thing like a round dish. The small

priest pressed down on his shoulders with both hands, and he felt himself rise up in the air.

"We flew on and on over the sea," Heizaemon continued. *"I was very frightened, but the tall priest appeared to me and said, "If you say 'Water cannot drown me,' you need have no fear.*

I shut my eyes, but even so I could see the sea below. At first we arrived at the top of what seemed to be Mt. Akiba. In the valley far below a great fire was raging. I was terrified lest I should be thrown down the mountainside and burnt, but the tall priest appeared again and said, "Say; 'Fire cannot burn me,' and you need have no fear."

I shut my eyes and we flew again, past Myosigan and Hikosan and many other mountains. I thought that about ten days must have passed and begged them to take me back."

HC addendum.
Source: Carmen Blacker "Supernatural abductions in Japanese Folklore"
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tengu
Type: G?

Location: Aleut Islands, Alaska.
Date: August 10, 1741.
Time: Unknown.

The naturalist Georg William Steller observed a playful, curious "Sea Ape" swimming around his ship for two hours. The creature was five feet long, with a dog-like head, large eyes, pointed erect ears, and whiskers hanging down from its upper and lower lips. Its thick round body tapered gradually toward a tail with two fins, the upper one longer than the lower as in sharks. It had neither forefeet nor fore fins. Its skin was covered with thick hair, gray on its back but reddish-white on its belly. It could "just possibly" have been "some aquatic form of primate," as implied by Steller's "Sea Ape."

HC addendum.
Source: Coleman and Huyghe, *'The Field Guide to Bigfoot, Yeti and Other Mystery Primates Worldwide,'* 1980.
Type: E

Location: Near Hertford, England.
Date: May 18, 1749.
Time: Night.

"We have an account of a surprising phenomenon that was seen near Hertford during a violent storm of thunder and lightning, on Thursday the 18th by one John Mitchell, as he was traveling on the road: He was met by a man of a gigantic stature, his face shone like the sun, on his head something resembling a crown with stars, with wings on his shoulders; his body seemed of transparent fire; but suddenly it disappeared like several balls of light, attended with an explosion like that of a number of cannons."

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braenne in Magonia exchange list quoting *The Newcastle Courant* (Tyne and Wear, England) May 27, 1749.
Type: E

Location: Kazan province, Russia.
Date: 1752.
Time: Daytime.

A small servant boy named Yashka regularly visited the forest in order to collect berries. During one of his visits, he encountered a strange man that suddenly appeared in front of him out of nowhere. The strange man was dressed in white clothing. He took the curious boy into a large "copper cauldron or boiler" (bell-shaped flying vehicle, broader on the lower section and narrower on top and vertically elongated) and sat him on a chair.

The alien man sat near the boy on another chair, and both ascended to the sky to an unknown location. Soon they arrived on "another planet" where the boy lived for a year and a half (!) (in his own perception) in a house that remotely resembled the wooden house he lived on Earth. At the same time quite a bit of time passed on Earth.

The alien presented the boy some mysterious "coins" to cure him from an illness and returned him to the very same place he was taken from amid the forest. The alien man then told the boy to convey his "fatherly instructions" to the newly christened villagers in the settlement to "pray better." (?)

HC addendum.
Source: Synodic Archive, Kazan University, 1752 #635/135 1909, Vol. XXV, issue 5 and Vadim Chernobrov.
Type: G
Comments: Very bizarre tale, which includes quasi-religious overtones and otherworldly details. Possibly one of the earliest alien abduction reports.

Location: Grodich, Germany.
Date: 1753.
Time: Various.

According to local lore, the "Wild Women" began to appear near this German village around this year. The Wild Women would give bread to the boys and girls of the village who watched over the cattle. One day their kindness was extended to kidnapping a small boy, saying to the father, *"He will be better with us, and have better care taken of him than at home."* Reportedly the boy was seen by woodcutters a year later in the forest, clothed in green. He was never seen again.

HC addendum.
Source: Gary R. Varner, *'Creatures in the mist, little people, Wild Men, and Spirit Beings around the World, A Study in Comparative Mythology.'*
Comments: Permanent abduction by unknown entities.
Type: G

Location: Catania, Sicily, Italy.
Date: May 3, 1753.
Time: Daytime.

Respected local artisan, Alberto Gordoni was walking in the castle's yard when he suddenly disappeared in plain sight, before the eyes of his stunned wife and other witnesses, including the Duke of Zenini and other fellow countrymen. The stunned witnesses immediately dug around the area but failed to find any tract of Gordoni or hollow pits where he could had fallen into.

22-years later (!) Gordoni appeared back at the very place where he had disappeared; in the dominion's yard. Alberto himself claimed that he had not disappeared at all, so he was then immediately taken to a rest home for the "feeble minded." 7-years later the doctor, Father Mario spoke with Alberto there. He understood that somehow Alberto felt that a short time had only elapsed between his disappearance and appearance.

Alberto told Father Mario that on that fateful day he had suddenly found himself in something like a tunnel and walked along the tunnel toward a vague white light. He did not see any familiar objects there only "weird mechanisms" totally unknown and unrecognizable to him. Alberto then saw something that looked like a large canvas all covered with stars and "dots" which seemed to pulsate independently. There he also encountered a tall thin human-like figure with long hair, probably a female.

The entity told him that he had fallen into a "cleft" (fissure, crack) of "time and space" and it will be very difficult to deliver him back. While Alberto waited for his return, begging the strange entity to "send him back," Alberto was told about "holes opening up in the darkness" and about "white drops" and "thoughts that move with the speed of light" she also told him about "souls without flesh and body" and bodies without souls, about flying cities, where eternally young entities dwell.

Doctor Mario was convinced by the witness story, realizing that Alberto had not lied. So he took Alberto back to Takoni, to the location where it had occurred. Incredibly, Alberto took one step at the location and again disappeared in plain sight, this time forever. He was never found. Father Mario crossed himself and ordered the location fenced in, calling it "the Trap of the Devil." Apparently within that "trap" time and space flowed at a very much slower pace that than on Earth or in our dimension.

HC addendum.
Source: 'The Trap of the Devil' in; "Planet X" monthly newspaper, Kiev,
Ukraine, July, 2005.
Type: G

Comments: I say why only Gordoni was apparently able to slip into that bizarre other-dimensional netherworld.

Location: Penzance, Cornwall, England.
Date: October, 1754.
Time: 10:00 a.m.

"Last Saturday was five weeks since two persons of St. Just, six miles westward of this town, about ten o'clock saw in the sky a large fleet of ships and soon after a cloud came before it, and the scene was changed to an Army or Armies, both of horse and foot, with all the instruments of war visible and every motion of a smart engagement. It lasted fifteen minutes, in which time divers saw it."

HC addendum.
Source: Boston Gazette (Boston MA) Tuesday, December 10, 1754.
Type: E?

Location: Cae Caled, Wales.
Date: Summer, 1757.
Time: About noon.

Several children playing in a field encountered a group of dwarf-like beings that appeared to be dancing with great briskness. The beings were all clothed in red military like uniforms. They also wore red handkerchiefs wrapped around their heads. The children fled the field in order to obtain adult witnesses but upon returning, the short beings were already gone.

HC addendum.
Source: Randall Jones Pugh and F. W. Holliday, *'The Dyfed Enigma.'*
Type: E

Location: Northern Vermont territory.
Date: 1759.
Time: Unknown.

During the French and Indian War, Maj. Robert Rogers and his band of rangers exploring northern Vermont reportedly encountered “a large black bear” that attacked them by throwing stones and other large objects. The local Indians called the creature “Wet Skine,” or “Wet Skin,” and claimed that it was not a bear but something quite different.

HC addendum.
Source: Loren Coleman and Bruce Hallenbeck, *‘Monsters of New Jersey.’*
Type: E

Location: Ramsburg, Sweden.
Date: September 16, 1759.
Time: Daytime.

Another strange story of otherworldly visitation is recorded in an eighteenth-century parish book kept by a Reverend Vigelius. The incident began on September 16 when his father sent Jacob Jacobsson, 22, on an errand across a lake to the nearby village of Lounmora to visit a crofter named Anders Nilsson. On his return, as he was pulling his boat up to the shore, young Jacob saw something that had not been there when he departed; a broad, large road stretching in front of him.

Curious, he followed it until he came to a settlement consisting of grand mansions. He entered a red-colored building. *"Soon,"* Vigelius recorded, *"he found himself seated on a bench by the door in a big chamber. He saw a chubby little man, with a red cap on his head, sitting by the end of the table, and he saw crowds of little people, running back and forth. They were all in every like way like ordinary men, but of short stature."*

In their midst was a fine-looking, taller woman; the Fairy Queen? Who urged him to eat and drink. He declined the offer. When other little people inquired if he would like to stay with them, he responded with a spoken prayer; *"God, help me back home to my father and mother!"* The man with the red cap ordered his compatriots to throw him out because of his rudeness.

In an instant he was back at the shore, and all the scenery was restored to its normal appearance. His parents greeted his appearance with joy. They told him they and their neighbors had been searching for him the past four days, a revelation he greeted with bafflement; he felt as if he had been gone only a few minutes. He had no appetite. The next day he felt uneasy but otherwise all right.

Vigelius wrote, *"Jacob made this statement to me in the presence of his parents on St. Michael's Day 1759. This boy has quite a simple, pious, meek and gentle character. He is praised by everyone, all his life he has been known to take pleasure in reading and contemplating God's words whenever he has some spare time."*

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Hidden Realms, Lost Civilizations, and Beings from Other Worlds.'*
Type: G

Location: Glaisdale, Yorkshire, England.
Date: Circa 1760.
Time: Unknown.

At a local farm, what appeared to have been a “goblin” like creature reportedly collected sheep and repaired fences that had been broken down by a vindictive neighbor. He was described as a little old fellow, with very long hair, large feet, eyes and mouth, stooping much as he walked and carrying a long holly stick.

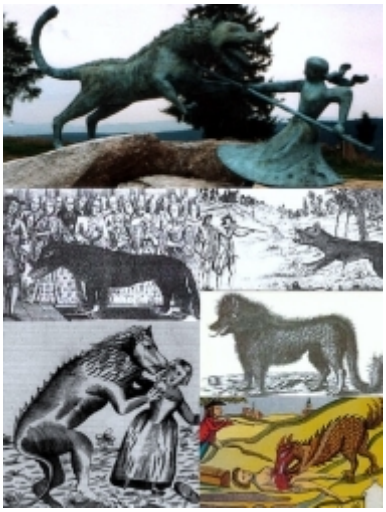
HC addendum.
Source: *Mystery Magazine*, UK.
Type: E

Location: Noirmontier Island, France.
Date: 1762.
Time: Morning.

Two girls on the island while searching for shells in rock crevices, encountered “an animal of a human form, leaning on its hands,” One girl promptly stabbed it with a knife. It moaned and died. Afterwards a physician went to the site and examined the body, finding it “as big as the largest man” with the white skin of a drowned person and “the breast of a full chested woman” a flat nose, a large nose, a large mouth; the chin adorned with a kind of beard, formed of fine shells, and over the whole body, tufts of similar white shells. It had the tail of a fish and at the extremity of it a kind of feet.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *‘Unexplained!’*
Type: H?

Location: Near Langogne, Lozere, France.
Date: June, 1764.
Time: Daytime.



A young girl was tending cows in the Foret de Mercoire, when she saw what looked like an enormous wolf running toward her. Her dogs panicked, and the animal injured her badly but the cattle drove the beast off with their horns. The first fatality was a fourteen year old shepherdess named Jeanne Boulet, who was mauled on June 30. Eleven other fatal attacks on women and children took place through the end of November when an Army unit stationed in Languedoc was called in to hunt down the beast.

On December 24, 1764, a seven year old boy was killed by a similar wolf-like animal, as were a shepherd and two young girls before the end of the year. On January 12, 1765, the beast attacked a group of children near Vileret d'Apcher and seized an eight-year old boy, but the others drove it away by jabbing it with a blade attached to a stick and throwing stones, after the Army under Captain Duhamel, aided by a host of volunteers, failed to catch the 'animal' even though they slaughtered about 100 wolves, King Louis XV in February called in a famous Norman wolf hunter named Denneval, who fared no better. The King's harquebusier Antoine, Sieur de Beauterne, was sent to Gevaudan in late July.

A girl of the village of Vachelerie, near Paul-hac-en-Margeride, disappeared on the evening of September 8 1765. After a shepherd found her cap, Beauterne and some gamekeepers found torn and bloodstained clothing and finally the naked body of the girl, with fang marks on her throat and one thigh eaten to the bone. By mid-September, seventy three people had been killed over a crescent shaped area stretching about 31 miles long. Then, Beauterne killed an animal on September 20, 1765, near the Royal Abbey of Chazes in Auvergne. It seems to have been a large wolf (5 feet 7 inches long

and 130 pounds) with a white throat. It was autopsied, taken to a taxidermist in Clermont-Ferrand then preserved at the Museum d'Histoire Naturelle in Paris until it was lost. The attacks ceased for nearly three months.

On December 2, 1765, two young children were attacked near Mont Mouchet and more children were killed in February and March 1766, the region again appealed for Royal aid, but since the beast was officially dead, the request was ignored. When another little girl was killed at Nozerolles on June 18, 1767, the marquis d'Apcher and twelve hunters set off to track the beast, one of the hunters, Jean Chastel shot and a reddish animal on June 19, after which the depredations finally stopped.

The corpse of the animal was crudely stuffed, then displayed in the region for two weeks, after which it was sent to Paris and examined by the naturalist the comte de Buffon. The animal was preserved at the Museum d'histoire Naturelle in Paris until 1819 and evidently identified at the time as a striped hyena.

The official tally of deaths attributed to the Beast of Gevaudan is 100, most of them women and children.

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *'Mysterious Creatures.'*
Type: X

Location: Mount Prospect, Inishannon, Ireland.
Date: June 14, 1765.
Time: 9:00 p.m.

"Last Monday evening between eight and nine o'clock an extraordinary phenomenon was seen from Mount Prospect near Inishannon, by several gentlemen and ladies. A most superb 'throne' appeared in the Northern Sphere, enclosed by a broad circle of a Gold Color with a "Lion" in the front protecting the Throne, which appearance lasted about half an hour and went off by slow degrees.

The evening was every serene and the sky all around appeared quite black. We are assured of the truth of this relation by people of veracity."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill, Magonia exchange quoting Dublin Pubic Register or Freemans Journal Dublin Ireland, June 15, 1765.
Type: X

Location: Matemblewo, Poland.
Date: Winter, 1769.
Time: Night.

The witness, a carpenter from Materna was on his way to Gdansk. In Matemblewo he encountered a young woman surrounded in bright light announcing the birth of his son. The woman walked toward the nearby forest and then disappeared. (Interpreted as a Virgin Mary encounter).

HC addendum.
Source: direct from woe_@vp.pl
Type: E?

Location: Near Leipzig, Germany.
Date: September, 1768.
Time: Night.

The German poet, dramatist, author and scientist Johann Goethe was himself a witness to a strange luminous object. He was journeying from Frankfurt to Leipzig by stagecoach. At one point the rough uphill track was so treacherous from mud and rain that the passengers were forced to alight and follow on behind; it was then that Goethe suddenly became aware of lights in the ravine below them.

Writes Goethe; all of a sudden, in a ravine on the right hand side of the track, I saw a sort of "amphitheatre," wonderfully illuminated. In a funnel shaped space there were innumerable little lights shining, ranged step; fashion over one another; and they shone so brilliantly that the eye was dazzled. But the sight was even more confusing because these objects did not keep still, but jumped about here and there, as well as downwards from above, as if they were animated luminous creatures."

HC addendum.
Source: The Bible UFO Connection, *'UFOs in History.'*
Type: C?

Location: Staffordshire, England.
Date: 1770.
Time: Unknown.

A laborer moved a large flat stone he had encountered in a field while digging a trench, beneath which he discovered a descending stone staircase which he followed deep into the Earth; finding that the staircase switch-backed now and then until he emerged into a large underground chamber several hundred feet below that was filled with strange objects and large machines and illuminated by a strange ever-luminous sphere which revealed a man on a throne like chair, dressed in a hooded robe.

The man in the chair saw the intruder and stood up with a baton like object in his hand as he went over to the luminous sphere and smashed it, plunging the cavern into darkness, as the laborer stumbled back up the surface in surprise and terror.

HC addendum.
Source: Hargrave Jennings, *'The Rosicrucian's: Their Rites and Mysteries.'*
Type: E?

Location: Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.
Date: Winter 1777.
Time: Evening.



The future first president of the United States sat in his crude, cold hut when a movement in the corner of the room caught his eye. He turned and to his amazement, saw a rising, curling vapor and in its midst stood a long robed, long-haired figure with a reddish face. At first Washington took the figure to be a native tribesman. When the meeting was over he was of the opinion that the 'man' was not an Indian at all, but an angel.

He later told a close friend named Anthony Sherman that the red-faced 'angel' had shown him a vision of the birth, progress and destiny of the American colonies, and given him the courage to continue his now legendary struggle for independence, which would eventually birth a new nation unlike any before it.

HC addendum.
Source: B. M. Nunnelly, *'The Inhumanoids: Real Encounters with Beings that can't exist.'*
Type: E

Location: Byfield, Massachusetts.
Date: April 27, 1778.
Time: 5:00 p.m.

April 27, 1778, the inhabitants of Byfield were startled by a phenomenon usually termed the "Flying Giant." The following description is from the diary of Deacon Daniel Chute:

"Yesterday, being the Lord's Day, the first Sunday after Easter, about five of the clock in the p.m., a most terrible and as most men do conceive supernatural thing took place. A form as of a giant, I suppose rather under than over twenty feet high, walked through the air from somewhere nigh the Governor's school, where it was first spied by some boys, till it past the meeting-house, where Mr. Whittam, who was driving home his cows, saw it, as well as the cows also, which ran violently bellowing. Sundry on the whole road from the meeting-house, to Deacon Searles's house, saw and heard it, till it vanished from sight nigh Hunslow's Hill, as Deacon Searles saw. It strode so fast as a good horse might gallop, and two or three feet above the ground and what more than all we admired, it went through walls and fences as one goes through water, yet were they not broken or overthrown. It was black, as it might be dressed in cloth indeed, yet were we so terrified that none observed what manner if at all it was habited. It made continually a terrifying, *"hoo, hoo,"* so that some women fainted."

The majority of the people, the Rev. Moses Parsons included, believed this spectre to be the devil taking a walk to oversee his mundane affairs. Deacon Benjamin Colman published an account of this occurrence in the Essex Journal and New Hampshire Packet. This was in the midst of his controversy with Mr. Parsons on the slavery question, and he attributed the diabolical visitation to the heinous sin of slave-holding by the pastor of the parish, followed by quaint theological speculations, in the deacon's strong and fearless style."

HC addendum.

Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia exchange list quoting *'Reminiscences of a Nonagenarian,'* by Sarah Smith Emery page 203' William II. Hosea Co. Printers, 42 State street, 1879.

Type: E

Location: Castlemartin, Wales.
Date: Circa 1782.
Time: Daytime.

Off the coast of this location Henry Reynolds spotted a merman which he initially believed to be a pale-skinned teenager, before noticing its brown tail which waved about. While the body and arms looked human, the arms and hands looked too short and thick, while the creature's nose was long and sharp. Reynolds went to find other witnesses, but by the time he returned, the merman was gone.

HC addendum.
Source: http://paranormaldatabase.com/Wales
Type: E

Location: Pie Island, Lake Superior, Canada.
Date: May 13, 1782.
Time: Daytime.

A Canadian fur trader by the name of Vanant St. Germain spotted what he believed to be a merman in the cold, deep waters of Lake Superior. While making a stop at Pie Island in the northern part of the lake, St. Germain spotted a creature and described it as looking child-like with brownish skin and "extremely brilliant eyes." According to the authors of *Mysterious Islands,* St. Germain thirty years after he saw the merman, "stood before the Court of King's Bench in Montreal to sign an affidavit," further showing his conviction of what he had seen so many years before in Lake Superior.

St. Germain wasn't the only one to speak of strange water creatures in the lakes. The Ojibwe people spoke of a creature called the 'Maymaygwashi,' described as also looking "child-like" and sometimes hairy, the Maymaygwashi is also known as another unpronounceable word, 'Nebaunaubaewuk.'

St. Germain's first instinct when he saw his merman was, "I must get my gun and shoot it!" They had been traveling with a Native American woman of the Ojibwe tribe and she prevented the shooting. The woman told them it was bad luck to be threatening the water creatures/gods and sure enough, a nasty storm rolled through the area that lasted for three days. Was the storm just a coincidence? Better not shoot at the next merman you see swimming in the waters of Lake Superior.

HC addendum.
Source: Bisaillon, Cindy and Gutsche, Andrea, *'Mysterious Islands: Forgotten Tales of the Great Lakes,'* Toronto, 1999.
Type: E

Location: Barao de Alfenas, Minas Gerais, Brazil.
Date: 1790.
Time: Unknown.

An escaped black slave, Joao Antao escaped from a local ranch and hid in a cave in the region. In the cave he encountered a tall man dressed all in white, very elegant and educated. The man identified himself as Saint Thomas and asked the slave to build a shrine in the locale. Antao did what he was told and today the place is the site of the church at Vila de Sao Thome.

HC addendum.
Source: Sao Tome das Letras.
Type: E?
http://www.footprinttravelguides.com/c/597/sao-tome-das-letras/

Location: Irati Forest, Spain.
Date: 1790.
Time: Unknown.

According to a document dated from 1790, several of the men assigned to fell the trees that were going to be used to build the fabulous (and ill fated) Spanish Armada reported encountering a pair (male and female) of very tall human-like hairy creatures, 'of fierce aspect.' The men even attempted but failed to capture the female (Basandere) who was reported to have been naked and beautiful in appearance, with very fine pale skin and long hip length beautiful black hair.

HC addendum.
Source: Jose Dueso, La Euskal Herria magica diarovasco.com
Type: E

Location: Near Alencon, France.
Date: June 12, 1790.
Time: 5:00 a.m.

At 5:00 a.m. some peasants perceived an enormous globe, apparently wrapped in flames, which flew at a high speed with a hissing noise. It slowed down, oscillated, and then fell on the crest of a hill, uprooting some plants on the hillside. It emitted such great heat that it started a brush fire, which the peasants brought under control. By evening, the sphere was still warm. A crowd including among others, two mayors, a doctor, and "five other authorities" had assembled.

A sort of door suddenly opened, and a person dressed in a skintight garment emerged. Seeing the crowd, he muttered something incomprehensible, and ran into the woods. Shortly afterwards, the sphere silently exploded, throwing in every direction fragments that burned to a powder. A search for the mysterious man proved fruitless. A police inspector named Liabeuf made a report to the Academie des Sciences, which did not take it seriously. The crater in the hillside left by the sphere remained visible for years.

HC addendum.
Source: Inspector Liabeuf and R. Jack Perrin.
Type: H?

Location: Near Castlemartin, Dyfed, Wales.
Date: Sometime before 1791.
Time: Unknown.

Henry Reynolds ran across what looked to be a youth of about sixteen sitting in the sea near Castlemartin. As he came closer, he realized it had a huge, eel-like tail that moved constantly in a circular pattern. Its arms and hands seemed thick and short. Brownish, ribbon-like streamers came out of its forehead and flowed over its back. Reynolds watched it for about an hour as it swam near a rock only 35 feet away.

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *'Mysterious Creatures.'*
Type: E

Location: Near Gresford, England.
Date: Winter 1791.
Time: Night.

A farmer went into his snow-covered field one night and saw enormous tracks that looked like those belonging to an overgrown wolf. He followed the tracks with a blacksmith for two miles, and they led to a scene of mutilation, which made the villagers in the area quake with fear that night. One snow-covered field was a lake of blood dotted with carcasses of sheep, cattle, and even the farmer's dog. The farmer was found locked up in his house in a terrible state. He wasn't harmed physically, but he was terrified. He had barricaded himself in after witnessing an enormous black animal that resembled a wolf ripping the throat out of his sheepdog.

The animal had then gone for the farmer, but he had managed to run into the farmhouse in time. He had bolted the heavy oaken door and hid under a table in the kitchen armed only with a pitchfork. The farmer said the wolf pounded on the heavy oak door, almost knocking it off its hinges. The weird looking animal then stood up on its hind legs like a human and looked in through the windows of the farmhouse. Its eyes were blue and seemed intelligent and almost human like. The beast foamed at the mouth as it peered in, then bolted from the window to the farm.

HC addendum.
Source: BBC North East Wales.
Type: E

Location: Stockton on the Forest, Yorkshire, England.
Date: January 13, 1792.
Time: Daytime.

In the skies above the area, several people reported seeing a forest in the sky, with soldiers in black uniforms moving around in formation. More soldiers wore white clothing, but appeared to be allied to the other troops, rather than in conflict.

HC addendum.
Source: htt://www.paranormaldatabase.com
Type: E

Location: Paris, France.
Date: August 9, 1792.
Time: Unknown.

According to legend, Marie Antoinette saw 'the little red man' or ghost in the corridor, in the Tulieres Palace the day before the mob stormed the palace and ended the monarchy. Also that same year startled chambermaids discovered the scarlet-clad gnome in the bed of Louis XVI when the threatened king was making a futile attempt to escape the machinations of the French revolutionaries. A few months later, guards claimed to have seen the little red ghost in the prison where Louis and Marie Antoinette awaited their turn with the guillotine.

HC addendum.
Source: http://theunexplainedmysteries.com/The-Little-Red-Man.html
Type: E
Comments: According to legend, the ghost known as "the little red man," appeared to some of the nation's most notable personalities for more than 260 years, garnering a reputation as a harbinger of tragedy. The ghost seemed to center its activity in Paris, at the Louvre and Tulieres palaces. It is mentioned in scores of books, official records, and even Napoleon's diaries.

Location: Clirow, Radnorshire, England.
Date: October 30, 1795.
Time: Evening.

Official illusion is 1795. Accidentally stumbling upon a number of the Shrewsbury might have some interest for the reader of 1845, I have copied it *verbatim.* - *Correspondent*

"We have received a letter from Mr. W. C----, attorney-at-law, at the Hay, Breconshire, informing us of a very remarkable appearance which was seen there a few days ago, by one John Morgan, an intelligent man at twilight in the evening, as he was setting plants in his garden, of a representation of a large church with many spires arising out of the earth, and also the appearance of an angelic form very glorious, his countenance shining brighter than gold, sitting on a wonderful beast not to be described; the brightness illuminating the earth all around, and particularly toward the parish of Clirow, in Radnorshire, and which in about fifteen minutes vanished away."

As the matter has been the subject of much conversation there, Mr. C. says he has heard the relation from Morgan more than once, and it is the opinion of some persons that this appearance portends *good things to come,* for this nation in particular, not only *universal peace,* but, *righteousness.* We do not pretend to make any other comment on this phenomenon, than it might probably be only the effect of some electric fluid, causing a vapor to arise out of the ground. Agreeable, however, to our correspondent's wish, we have given a short sketch of the letter received as above mentioned.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia exchange list quoting Hereford Times, Herefordshire, England Saturday 29 November, 1845.
Type: E?

Location: Don Region, Russia.
Date: March, 1796.
Time: Morning.

The inhabitants of a Russian village in the region were surprised to find a large metal ball in one of their fields. It was ten feet in diameter. People from everywhere flocked to see it, and they wondered where it had come from. It could have fallen from the sky, they thought, but there was no crater. Except for a regular pattern of circles etched into it, the surface of the ball was as smooth as marble.

The village folk tried to move the object but their effort was useless, it would not budge an inch. Then the local drunkard, a man named Pouchkine arrived; he was known as a gambler, even a heretic, and everyone looked down on his ways. But despite his faults, he was known to be very courageous. He was led to the spot.

Pouchkine cursed at the object and struck it with his sable several times. Suddenly the crowd around him began to howl with terror; one of the circles on the ball had opened up, revealing a single inhuman eye. Pouchkine sneered and carried on with his blows against the object. He struck it so hard, in fact that the blade snapped off. The peasants fled in fear.

Behind them they saw the drunkard and his steed were both becoming transparent and then finally disappear into the air. They could still faintly hear his voice, however, as his angry cursing faded away. Two days passed and nothing was seen or heard of Pouchkine. Then to everyone's surprise both he and his trusty horse staggered back into the village as if drunk.

He seemed calm enough, but he soon "flew into a great rage and began to howl" that he was going to put an end to the unholy globe and set fire to it and the woods and everything around it. Everybody trailed along after him to enjoy the spectacle. But much to Pouchkine's mortification, the ball was no longer there.

HC addendum.
Source: Chris Aubeck, *'Return to Magonia.'*
Type: A or G?

Location: Near Quang Tri, Vietnam.
Date: 1798.
Time: Night.

During a period of persecution of Vietnamese Catholics, these had taken refuge in the deep forest of Lavang. Unexpectedly, one night they were visited by an apparition of a beautiful lady in a long cape, holding a child in her arms, with two angels at her sides.

The people recognized the Lady as Our Blessed Mother. She comforted them and told them to boil the leaves from the surrounding trees to use as medicine. She also told them that from that day on, all those who came to this place to pray would get their prayers heard and answered. All those who were present witnessed this miracle.

After this first apparition the Blessed Mother continued to appear to the people in this same place many times throughout the period of nearly one hundred years of religious persecution.

HC addendum.
Source: Our Lady of Lavang, Vietnam.
Type: E or F?

Location: Sandside Bay, Highland, Scotland.
Date: 1798.
Time: Daytime.

Schoolmaster William Munro was walking along the coast when he came across what seemed to be a naked human female sitting on a partially submerged rock and combing its long, light-brown hair. He watched for about three minutes before it dropped into the sea and disappeared. Had it not been for the dangerous place where it was sitting and other reports in which people had seen a mermaid for an hour or more, he might have thought it was human.

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *'Mysterious Creatures.'*
Type: E

Location: (Undisclosed location) Siberia, Russia.
Date: Circa 1799.
Time: Various.

During this time reports of “black men” riding in circular crafts that spurted fire from the rear, leaving behind long wakes of fire circulated in the region.

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Kolosimo, *‘Sombra en Las Estrellas.’*
Type: A?

1800-1849

Location: Marion, Indiana.
Date: 1800.
Time: Unknown.

A Methodist minister in the area had heard tales from his congregation that a certain tree in the woods along the river was the entrance to an underground lair of little people. The few remaining Native Americans who still lived in the area confirmed this story. The minister, in an attempt to prove that there was no validity to the local superstition, went to the tree with an ax and started to chop the huge tree down.

After striking the tree a couple of times, a hole opened up at the base and a group of fifteen to twenty small men clambered out and began attacking the now frightened minister. The little men quickly overcame their much larger foe and cut his throat with a flint blade. The minister survived his terrifying ordeal, despite the jagged cut to his neck. However, he never again made fun of his congregation when they told stories of the little wild men of the woods.

HC addendum.
Source: Unnatural Indiana.
Type: E

Location: Yantic River area, Connecticut.
Date: 1800.
Time: Unknown.

A child named Martha Uncas was traveling with her parents in a canoe down the Yantic River, when they spied several small man-like figures running along the shore, vaguely visible among the pine trees. Martha's mother said; *"Don't look at the dwarfs. They will point their fingers at you and then you cannot see them."* The local Indians called these mysterious little people the "Makiawisag." These creatures apparently had the power to become invisible at will.

HC addendum.
Source: Joseph A. Citro, *'Passing Strange.'*
Type: E

Location: Koyuk, Alaska.
Date: 1800.
Time: Unknown.

According to a legend handed down to Lois Foster through her great grandmother and grandmother, three little men came to Koyuk, an Inuit (Eskimo) village, in around 1800. The great grandmother said that they arrived via a "silvery looking disc that sailed through the air." The grandmother, now quite elderly, claimed to have seen the little men during her childhood in the early 1910s.

She told her granddaughter that the little men were very strong, able to lift heavy logs and dead deer without assistance. They were stranded in the village because something had gone wrong with their disc and they could no longer go home. Eventually they learned to speak the native language and so were able to communicate with villagers.

HC addendum.
Source: Mark Chorvinsky in *Fate* Vol. #43 #1 (January, 1990) *'Our Strange World'* quoted in Jerome Clark's book *'Unnatural Phenomena: A guide to the bizarre wonders of North America,'* 2005.

Location: Kaysersberg, Haut-Rhin, France.
Date: 1800.
Time: Before dawn.

A man from Kaysersberg had business to deal with early in the morning in the mountains located in Schnierlach (La Poutroye), he took the road even before day dawned. Suddenly while on that road, there came rolling behind him a large, heavy 'carriage.' At the invitation of the coachman he stepped into it, but was not a little surprised as he suddenly felt lifted into the air.

The coachman ignored the man's loud and repeated calls to stop. But when the first pale light of day was visible, the man felt a bump, and the unwilling aerial passenger was deposited on the top of a high mountain, opposite La Poutroye.

HC addendum.
Source: http://ufologie.patrickgross.org/ce3/1800-00-00-france-kaysersberg.htm citing Alsatian folklorist Auguste Stoeber
Type: G?

Location: Near Glen Rushen, Isle of Man, England.
Date: 1800.
Time: Night.

"This location is said to be the place where the "glashtin" settled in an invisible city. A farmer was puzzled when his cows became poor milers and always seemed tired at dawn when he attempted to attend to them. Believing that some ne'er-do-well was harassing his herd, he staked out his barn, only to be awakened when two of his cows began mooing in agitation.

To the amazement of the witness, they were being driven across his land into open countryside by a group of men the size of six-year old children. Following discreetly, he gaped in astonishment as a dome-like mound appeared on the ground ahead and the "children" drove his cows through a hole that opened up in the side. It was pouring light from within, and he could see what appeared to be a human in there, too, seemingly in a trance."

HC addendum.
Source: Jenny Randles, *IUR* spring 200.
Type: G?

Location: Colonsay Island, Inner Hebrides, Scotland.
Date: 1800.
Time: Daytime.

A local woman named Rhona was sitting in her garden knitting when she heard a rustling of the leaves. Thinking of her sweetheart she pretended not to have heard. Then came a tiny laugh and a tinkling sound from her rose arbor. Looking up she spied six handsome little men dressed in green from head to toe, except, that is for a red feather in their caps. Rhona extended her hand to the group and each in turn alighted on her offered palm. Becoming totally delighted with them she favored the six with every courtesy.

Suddenly and without warning one of the fairies touched his fingers to her eyes, plunging her into darkness. In this state of total blackness she experienced herself moving through what could only be time and space, But this was more than a three-dimensional flight. Rhona's flight had taken her through a fourth dimension. After what seemed like only a few moments, Rhona felt her feet touch the ground.

Opening her eyes she found herself in the most beautiful and wondrous place she had ever seen. Into her vision came lush trees, brilliantly colored song birds, flower gardens and castle of every description shining forth in gold and silver. Each castle in turn shimmered with diamonds, garnets, pearls and emeralds. Along the streets were magnificently clad little people promenading, resting, dancing and indulging in favorite pastimes. Now, Rhona who noted that she was clad in the same fine manner as everyone else had also become the same size as everyone else.

She immediately thought that she could stay there forever but all at once Rhona was once again plunged into darkness, whisked through the air and dropped safely onto the floor of her rose arbor, where a group of people had gathered concerned over her absence.

It is said that for the rest of her life, Rhona was guarded by the fairies that nourished her with fairy food. At one point local authorities imprisoned Rhona and refused to feed her, but this did not affect Rhona at all, for she was fed daily by the fairies during her enclosure.

HC addendum.
Source: Virginia Martin August 12, 2002.
Type: G
Comments: The parallels with some modern day alien abduction scenarios are obvious.

Location: Croydon, England.
Date: 1803.
Time: Various.

A strange figure described as being dressed in a black mask and cape, attacked over 50 people in the Hare and Hounds and Purley Way area. It escaped by leaping over 12-foot walls. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Strange Croydon.
Type: E

Location: Harayadori, Hitachi province, Japan.
Date: February 22, 1803.
Time: Morning.



"On February 22, in 1803, local fishers of the 'Harayadori' shore in the Hitachi province saw an ominous "ship" drifting in the waters. Curious, they towed the vessel back to land, discovering that it was 3.30 meters (129.9 inches) high and 5.45 meters (212.6 inches) wide, reminding the witnesses of a *Kohako* (Japanese incense burner). Its upper part appeared to be made of red coated rosewood, while the lower part was covered with brazen plates, obviously to protect it against the sharp-edged rocks. The upper part had several windows made of glass or crystal, covered with bars and clogged with some kind of tree resin. The windows were completely transparent and the baffled fishermen looked inside.

The inner side of the Utsuro-bune was decorated with texts written in an unknown language. The fishermen found items inside such as two bed sheets, a bottle filled with 3.6 liters of water, some cake and kneaded meat. Then the fishermen saw a beautiful young woman, possibly 18 or 20 years old. Her body size was said to be 1.5 meters (4.93 feet). The woman had red hair and eyebrows, the hair elongated by artificial white extensions. The extensions could have been made of white fur or thin, white-powdered textile streaks. This hair style cannot be found in any literature.

The skin of the lady was a very pale pink color. She wore precious, long and smooth clothes of unknown fabrics. The woman began speaking, but no one understood her. She did not seem to understand the fishermen either, so no one could ask her about her origin. Although the mysterious woman appeared friendly and courteous, she acted oddly, for she always clutched a quadratic box made of pale material and around 0.6 m (23.62 in) in size. The woman did not allow anyone to touch the box, no matter how kindly or pressingly the witnesses asked.

An old man from the village said, "This woman could be a princess of a foreign realm, who married at her homeland. But when she had an affair with a townsman after marriage, it caused a scandal and the lover was killed for punishment. The princess was banned from home, for she enjoyed lots of sympathy, so she escaped the death penalty.

Instead she might have been exposed in that *Utsuro-bune* to leave her to destiny. If this should be correct, the quadratic box may contain the head of the woman's deceased lover.

In the past, a very similar object with a woman was washed ashore on a close-by beach. During this incident a small board with a pinned head was found. The content of the box could therefore be the same, which would certainly explain why she protects it so much. It would afford lots of money and time to investigate the woman and her boat. Since it seems to be tradition to expose those boats at sea, we should bring the woman back to the Utsuro-bune and let her drift away. From human sight it might be cruel, but it seems to be her predetermined destiny." The fishermen reassembled the Utsuro-bune, placed the woman in it, and set it to drift away into the ocean.

HC addendum.
Source: Jenny Randles, *'Abduction.'* http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Utsuro-bune
Type: B

Location: Haratono-hama, Hitachi state, Japan.
Date: March 24, 1803.
Time: Daytime.



A strange “boat” drifted ashore on the beach; the boat was hollow and its shape was similar to a rice-cooking pot. It had a kind of rimmed edge at the center level part of the boat. In the part above this edge, the boat was painted in black and had four small windows on four sides. All shoji (windows with lattice) were shielded by chan (a kind of waterproof putty made from pine-tree gum). The lower part of the boat was reinforced by steel bars. These bars looked to be made of Western-made iron of the highest quality. The height of the boat was one jyou two shaku (3.64m) and its diameter was one jyou, eight shaku (5.45m).

A woman (or girl) was found inside this boat and her age appeared around twenty. She was about five shaku (1.5m) tall and her skin was white as snow. Her long hair vividly hung on her back. Her facial features were incomparably beautiful. Her clothes were strange and unrecognizable and her language was not understood by anyone. She held a small box in her hands and prohibited anyone from approaching this box.

HC addendum.
Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Utsuro-bune
Type: B?

Location: Indian Territory, Nebraska territory.
Date: 1804.
Time: Various.

"In a northerly direction from the mouth of this creek, in an immense plain, a high hill is situated, and appears of a conic form, and by the different nations of Indians in this quarter, is supposed to be the residence of "devils;" that they are in human form with remarkable large heads, and about 18 inches high, that they ae very watchful, and are armed with sharp arrows with which they can kill at a great distance.

They are said to kill all persons who are as hardy as to attempt to approach the hill. They state that traditions informs them that many Indians have suffered by those little people, and among others, three Maha men fell a sacrifice to their merciless fury not many years since. So much do the Maha, Sioux, Othos, and other neighboring nations, believe this fable, that no consideration is sufficient to induce them to approach the hill."

HC addendum.
Source: *'The Journals of Lewis and Clark,'* Mentor Books MT 527, 1964.
Type: E?

Location: Mays Landing, New Jersey.
Date: 1804.
Time: Unknown.

The famous American naval hero Stephen Decatur was said to have briefly skirmished with a bizarre creature known as the "Jersey Devil." He was test firing a new cannon when the weird winged creature suddenly appeared overhead. Decatur reportedly fired a shot at the thing but missed, and it flew off.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'America's Nightmare Monsters.'*
Type: E

Location: Providence, Rhode Island.
Date: July, 1806.
Time: Evening.

The reverend Abraham Cummings was informed that two persons had seen what appeared to have been a specter in a field. Ten minutes later he went to check the field. At first as he looked toward an eminence 12 ft. distance from the house he saw what appeared to be a white rock on the ground, he ignored it.

Three minutes later, he accidentally looked again in the same direction and the supposed white rock was now in the air, its form a complete globe, with a tincture of red and its diameter about two feet. Curious, he walked towards it to obtain more accurate information.

The globe then approached to within 11 ft. of the witness, it did so at very high speed. It then instantly assumed the form of a female dress, but did not appear taller than a girl seven years old. While he looked upon her, he thought in his mind "you are not tall enough for the woman who has so frequently appeared among us!" Immediately she grew up as large and tall as what a normal woman would be.

The female entity appeared glorious and on her head was the representation of the sun diffusing the luminous, rectilinear rays all around. Through the glow, the witness saw the form of a woman in a dress. Others apparently saw it in the area accompanied by a small luminous cloud.

HC addendum.
Source: Chris Aubeck, *'Return to Magonia.'*
Type: E

Location: Chimney Rock, North Carolina.
Date: July 31, 1806.
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Numerous witnesses among them a Mrs. Patsey Reaves reported seeing thousands of human-like shiny white figures floating in the air over the mountain. They seemed to be wearing brilliant white clothing that hurt the eyes when looking at it. Some of the witnesses felt weak looking at the spectacle and others had a solemn and pleasing impression while looking at the beings. A part of the mountain top was visible above the shining host; then they moved in a northerly direction and collected about the top of Chimney Rock.

When all but a few had reached the rock two seemed to rise together and behind them a third. These three moved with great agility toward the crowd and had the nearest resemblance to men of any they had seen. While looking at these three, they saw three more rising from the same place, and moving in the same order and direction. Then several others rose and went towards the rock.

This lasted about an hour, when Mrs. Reaves sent for Mr. Robert Searcy, who said that he came and saw more glittering white appearances of human kind that ever he had seen of men at any general review; that they were of all sizes from that of men to infants; that they moved in throngs round a large rock not far from the Chimney Rock. They were about the height of Chimney Rock and moved in a circular course between him and the mountain; two of full size went before a general crowd about the space of twenty yards.

Chimney Rock receives its name from a peculiar rock or the peculiar position of several rocks of immense size. They are three in number, mounted perpendicularly upon each other, and arranged so as to present the appearance of a chimney, while the side of the mountain answers to the position of a house. The height of this mass is several hundred feet. It is west of the road at Hickory Nut Cap, in Rutherford County.

HC addendum.
Source: John Keel, *'Our Haunted Planet,'* also Jerome Clark.
Type: E?

Location: Kumano district, Japan.
Date: May 19, 1808.
Time: Evening.

A local boy went out to the lavatory and did not return. They searched everywhere in vain until, in the small hours of the morning, he was discovered standing on the eaves of the go-down, his top hair cut off and his clothes covered with cob-webs and ears of Suzuki grass. For three days he slept soundly. Then he woke up and told how a mountain ascetic had appeared, taken him by the hand and flown up into the sky.

They had flown a great distance at an incredible speed, alighting now and then on various holy mountains which he described accurately. He was enjoying himself very much and would have like to see more places, but was worried about his family at home and begged to go back. From Kurama they had come home in one leap, and he had found himself standing on the eaves of the go-down with the lanterns of the search party flashing below.

HC addendum.
Source: Carmen Blacker, *'Supernatural abductions in Japanese Folklore.'*
Type: G?

Location: Near Jug Tavern, (present day Winder) Georgia.
Date: 1809.
Time: Various.

The Cherokee called them *Nun Yunu Wi,* "the stone men" and *Kecleh-Kudleh,* which means "hairy savage." Besides Native American myth, Georgia has few stories of mystery animals in its early history. The most impressive account was Jefferson County's "Wog" which occasionally appeared in a radius of several miles around Jug Tavern (modern Winder), from its settlement until about 1809.

The Wog was the size of a horse, only shorter, and was covered with jet-black hair. The rear legs were twelve inches shorter than the front pair, which rendered the appearance of a large dog sitting on its tail. It seemed to walk almost sideways, sliding first on one side and then the other. The head was bear-like, with menacing red eyes, and the mouth contained "a set of great white teeth over which his ugly lips never closed," noted an early county history. This feature enabled its forked, eight inch long tongue to play "in an out of his mouth like (that) of a snake."

A truly unique aspect of the Wog was a large tail, which did not taper to a point like other animals, but was uniformly thick. It ended in a dense bunch of white hair eight inches in length. This great tail was in constant motion, no matter if the creature was walking, standing, or sitting. The appendage moved "with a quick upward curve which brought it down with a whizzing sound which could be heard thirty feet away," the history stated.

Local Indians advised settlers that the creature would occasionally visit their houses at night, if it saw light. The Wog would announce its presence by the whirling tail and poke its wicked tongue through any chink or opening in their cabins, but would leave if left unmolested. The pioneers apparently abided by this wise counsel.

There are no stories of attacks against the Wog, nor of its molesting people or the animals, although an appearance frightened barnyard denizens. Chickens fled for the trees, horses snorted, cattle moaned, and dogs and cats raced away. Occasionally, some animals reportedly died of fear. Finished with its inspections, the Wog would emit a loud snort and depart. As more settlers entered the area the Wog shambled into folklore.

HC addendum.
Source: Jim Miles, *'Weird Georgia.'*
Type: E?

Location: Sandside, Caithness, Scotland.
Date: January 12, 1809.
Time: Morning.

Two women standing on a beach in a remote area of northeastern Scotland saw what looked like the face of a young woman "round and plump and of a bright pink hue" in the sea. It then disappeared into the water, to reappear a short time later. When they were able to observe more of the top part of its body, they could see that it had well-formed human breasts. From time to time it lifted a long, thin white arm above the waves to toss back its long green hair.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Unexplained!'*
Type: E

Location: Vienna, Austria.
Date: July 11, 1809.
Time: Unknown.

After the Battle of Wagram, Napoleon made his headquarters at the palace of Schonbrunn, and his mysterious visitor (or the little red man) again made its appearance to Napoleon. Napoleon had conducted 10 years of successful campaigning, and he asked his supernatural advisor for five more years of guaranteed triumph.

The 'ghost' granted his request with the admonition that the greedy conqueror should not launch a campaign that would take him on Russian soil. Napoleon ignored the warning and met with a disaster that proved to be more significant than the physical defeat he suffered at Waterloo.

HC addendum.
Source: http://theunexplainedmysteries.com/The-Little-Red-Man.html
Type: E

Location: Kolomenskoye near Moscow, Russia.
Date: 1810.
Time: Night.

At the local Golosov ravine two gardeners, Arkhip Kuzmin and Ivan Bochkarev who had mysteriously disappeared in 1810, suddenly appeared in 1832, more than 20 years later. According to the men they were returning home at night from nearby village and decided to go to the Golosov ravine. Once there at the bottom of the valley they saw a billowing thick fog, suddenly from within the fog emerged "a corridor bathed in whitish light."

The two men walked towards the 'corridor' and encountered a group of overgrown hairy 'people' who attempted to communicate with them by using hand signs. After a while the two peasants left and returned to their village without noting anything out of place. Once they arrived back, they were stunned to see that their wives and children had aged over 20 years.

At the insistence of the investigators the two peasants were asked to return to the ravine. This time one of the men disappeared into the fog, and never returned.

HC addendum.
Source: http://paranormal-news.ru/publ/6-1-0-867
Type: G or X?

Location: Outside Meklong, Thailand.
Date: August, 1810.
Time: Unknown.

On a road outside the city Dr. Jacob Hazlitt, a missionary, reported that he saw a man dressed in silver clothing. He described the skin of the humanoid as “gleaming” and that the entity had only one eye.

HC addendum.
Source: Ahmad Jamaluddin.
Type: E

Location: Meklong, Thailand.
Date. September, 1810.
Time: Night.

Awoken by an unknown force one night, a local Siamese woman was surprised to hear that the surrounding area was devoid of the usual animal noises. Looking out the window, the woman beheld a strange humanoid in her backyard. She claimed that the humanoid had only one eye and was dressed in a suit, which seemed to be made out of metal. The episode ended with the woman claiming to have been abducted to a "palace of lights."

HC addendum.
Source: Ahmad Jamaluddin.
Type: G?
Comments: Early abduction report conducted by Cyclopean humanoids.

Location: Douglas, Isle of Man, England.
Date: December, 1810.
Time: Daytime.

A letter from Douglas contains a curious account of two "Mer-children" lately discovered by three respectable tradesman of that town, during an excursion of the Calf of Man, in quest of sea-fowl. Attracted by a sound somewhat resembling the cries of a young kitten, they found, on searching amongst the rocks, two small marine animals exactly resembling in their form that species of creature so often described and known by the name of the "Merman."

One of them was dead and much lacerated by the violence with which it had been driven on shore, during a strong gale of wind on the preceding night; the other was, however, conveyed to Douglas, where it still remains, and seems likely to do well.

It is one foot eleven inches and three quarters in length, from the crown of its head to the extremity of its tail; five inches across the shoulder; its skin is of a very pale brown color, and the scales on its tail are tinged with violet; the hair (if it may be so called) on its head, is of a light green cast, it is attached to the crown of the head, only hanging loose about the face, about four inches in length, very gelatinous to the touch, and somewhat resembling the green sea-weed commonly growing on rocks; its mouth is small, and has no appearance of teeth.

It delights much in swimming about in a large tub of seawater, and feeds chiefly on mussels and other shellfish, which it devours with great avidity; it also now and then swallows small portions of milk and water, when given to it in a quill.

HC addendum.
Source: Magonia exchange posting quoting British Press (London) December 5, 1810.
Type: E
Comments: Why the prevalence of reports describing such Mer-creatures during this period? Were they a yet unknown sea creatures like the Dugong, etc, which was not well known at the time, or did a humanoid water based or underwater civilization thrived in isolated spots during the 19th century and before, apparently almost wiped out in modern times, but with isolated reports still coming in.

Location: Chimney Rock Pass, North Carolina.
Date: September, 1811.
Time: Afternoon.

Several Rutherford County mountaineers reported the "Specter Battle of Chimney Rock Pass." The principal witnesses, an elderly farm couple living in the deepest part of the ravine, described a battle between "two opposing armies of horse-men, high up in the air all mounted on winged horses."

The "battle" lasted 10 minutes after the commander of one army cried "Charge!" the two armies dashing into each other, thrusting and hacking, the ring of their clashing swords audible, their blades glittering and flashing in the setting Sun's rays.

When one army was routed and left the field, the shouts of the victors and wails of the defeated were plainly heard. On subsequent evenings, the old couple and three "respectable men" visiting them again saw the "specter troopers," but not in battle.

HC addendum.
Source: T Peter Park, *The Anomalist* #10.
Type: E?

Location: Corphine, Kintyre, Scotland.
Date: October 13, 1811.
Time: Unknown.

John McIsaac reported seeing sitting on top of a black rock on the seacoast a bizarre creature. “The upper half of it was white, and of the shape of a human body; the other half towards the tail, of a brindled or reddish gray color, apparently cover with scales; but the extremity of the tail itself was of a greenish red shining color.”

The head was covered with long hair and at times it would put it back the hair on both sides of its head, it would also spread its tail like a fan and while so extended the tail continued in tremulous motion and when drawn again it remained motionless. It had very long brown hair and its face was human-like, with very hollow eyes.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *‘Unexplained!’*
Type: E

Location: Kintyre, Scotland.
Date: October 13, 1811.
Time: Afternoon.

That same afternoon, Katherine Loynachan stated that she was herding some cattle near the sea shore when she saw a creature sliding off one of the rocks and dropping into the water, surfacing six yards out. It had long black hair, white skin on its upper part, and dark brown skin on its lower, which was fish-like.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Unexplained!'*
Type: E

Location: Between Manosque and Villenueve d'Apert, France.
Date: March 20, 1812.
Time: Night.

Several persons traveling by coach during the night of the earthquake saw what appeared to be a luminous balloon, which flew over them and seem to divide itself into 4 fiery pieces. At this point the stunned travelers saw around them four men carrying lanterns, locked hand to hand and dancing around the coach.

HC addendum.
Source: Pierre Delval, *'Contacts of the 4th Type.'*
Type: D

Location: Havarah Park, England.
Date: October 28, 1812.
Time: Morning.

Near Ripley, witnesses saw troops of phantom soldiers in the sky. No further information.

HC addendum.
Source: T. Peter Park, *The Anomalist* #10.
Type: E

Location: Near Leipzig, Germany.
Date: 1813.
Time: Unknown.

Tomasz Kossowski; a nobleman and smith from Izabelin, was wounded during the battle of Leipzig. He was lying in the bushes praying when he saw the “Immaculate” clad in amaranth and golden robes with the white eagle in the center of her chest. She assured him that he will recover and get back to the homeland. She also ordered him to find the image of Mary and place it in Lichen.

The soldier was then found by locals and when recovered was returned to his hometown Izabelin. After nearly 25 years of searching he found the holy image in Ligota near Czestochowa. In 1844 he placed the image in the Forest of Grablin. He died in 1848. The basilica of Lichen is one the largest churches in Europe, it’s one of the most important pilgrimage destinations for Polish Christian Catholics.

HC addendum.
Source: direct from woe_@vp.pl
Type: F?

Location: Nowy Dwor Mazowiecki, Poland.
Date: 1813.
Time: Unknown.

While the Polish Army under the command of Dutch General Herman Willem Daendels defended the Fortress of Modlin from over 36,000 Russian troops, it was reported that as officers and soldiers looked towards the bastion, they saw a luminous pink sphere about 100 meters in diameter.

As they ran to the spot the sphere took off at high speed. Where it had been they found a 20-meter scorched area of grass. At the same time two of the defenders mysteriously disappeared, but it is not known if it was related to the strange encounter with the luminous sphere.

HC addendum.
Source: Bronislaw Rzepecki, *'UFOs in Poland.'*
Type: X?

Location: Paris, France.
Date: January 1, 1814.
Time: Night.

The red 'ghost' or entity made his third and final appearance before Napoleon on the morning of January 1, 1814, shortly before the emperor was forced to abdicate. The gnome first appeared to Counselor of State Mole and demanded that he be allowed to see Emperor on matters of urgent importance. Mole had been given strict orders that the emperor was not to be disturbed, but when he told Napoleon the red man wanted to speak to him, the emperor asked for the mysterious stranger to be granted immediate entrance.

It is said that Napoleon beseeched the 'ghost' for time to complete the execution of certain proposals, but the prophetic messenger gave him only three months to achieve general peace or it would all be over for him. Rather than attempting to bring peace to Europe, Napoleon desperately tried to launch a new eastern campaign. Such a move left Paris to fall into the hands of the allies; and on April 1, three months after the red man's final visit to the emperor, Talleyrand and the senate called for Napoleon's abdication.

HC addendum.
Source: http://theunexplainedmysteries.com/The-Little-Red-Man.html Type: E
Comments: King Charles XII of Sweden, also known as the 'Alexander of the North' allegedly sought council in the woods one winter from a 'little gray man' with a ruddy complexion. The being had given Charles a magic ring that would not vanish until the day of the King's death. Charles went on to cut a mighty, blood-spattered swatch across Europe, Russia and Turkey and his victories became legendary.

But just as Napoleon would do nearly a century later, Charles resisted the little gray man's entreaties for him to make peace with his enemies. In 1718, as he was fighting against the Swedish army at the siege of Fredikshald, one of the ruler's men noticed that his 'magic ring' was no longer on his finger. Moments later King Charles XII fell to the ground, dead from a grievous head wound.

Location: Portgordon, Moray, Scotland.
Date: April 20, 1814.
Time: 4:00 p.m.

Two fishermen were returning from fishing in Sprey Bay, when about a quarter of a mile from the shore, the sea being perfectly calm, they observed, at a small distance from their boat with its back turned towards them, and half its body above the water, a creature of a tawny color, appearing like a man sitting, with his body half bent.

Surprised, they approached the creature, till they came within a few yards, when the noise by the boat occasioned the creature to turn about, which gave the men a better opportunity of observing him. They described his countenance as swarthy, his hair short and curled, of a color between a green and a gray, he had small eyes, a flat nose, his mouth was large, and his arms of extraordinary length.

Above the waist, he was shaped like a man, but as the water was clear the men could perceive that from the waist downwards, his body tapered considerably or, as they expressed it, "like a large fish without scales." The creature then dived and surfaced some distance away and was not alone. With him was what appeared to be a female of his species for she had breasts and hair that reached past her shoulders. The two men then rowed as fast as they could to land.

HC addendum.
Source: *'The Historical Mermaid.'*
Type: E

Location: West coast of Scotland.
Date: Summer, 1814.
Time: Afternoon.

A frightened boy reported seeing a creature half human and half fish, he got nothing but ridicule for his efforts. A month later a group of children saw what they thought was a drowning woman, whom closer examination revealed to be something else entirely. The upper part was exactly like a woman, the skin appeared very white, and a good deal of color in the cheeks, and very long darkish looking hair; the arms were well proportioned above, but tapered very much towards the hands, which were no longer than a child's.

The tail was like an immense large cuddy fish in color and shape. Other witnesses arrived, including a man with a rifle that was dissuaded by the others to shoot at it. The creature remained in sight for two hours, at times making a hissing noise like a goose.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Unexplained!'*
Type: E

Location: Ilkley Moor, England.
Date: 1815.
Time: Morning.

William Butterfield a bath operator at the local White Wells natural springs was about to open the door to the spa and had inserted the keys in the lock when it spun around on its own accord. He looked inside and saw numerous little creatures dressed in green, no more than 18 inches high, making jabbering noises and dipping in the water, apparently taking a bath. Upon noticing the witness, the creatures began bounding over the walls, running madly, heads over heels. They were quickly lost from sight.

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Hough and Moyshe Kalman, *'The Truth about UFO Abductions.'*
Type: E

Location: Mount Moncayo, Soria, Spain.
Date: 1815.
Time: Morning.

During the Napoleonic wars, a young shepherd; Gregorio Murillo, was following some strays from his flock when he penetrated into the mouth of one of those caves whose entrances are covered by thick growths of bushes and whose outlets no man has ever seen. Going on along that cavern, he had come at last to vast subterranean galleries lighted by a fitful, fantastic splendor shed from the phosphorescence in the rocks, which there were great boulders of quartz crystallized into a thousand strange fantastic forms.

The floor, the vaulted ceiling and the walls of those immense halls, the work of nature, seemed variegated like the richest marble, but the veins which crossed them were of gold and silver, and among those shining veins, as if encrusted in the rock, were seen jewels, a multitude of precious stones of all colors and sizes. No noise of the outer world reached the depth of that weird cavern, the only perceptible sounds were, at intervals, the prolonged and pitiful groans of the air which blew through the enchanted labyrinth, a vague roar of subterranean fires furious in their prison, and murmurs of running water which flowed onwards.

The shepherd alone and lost in that immensity, wandered for many hours without finding any outlet, until at last he chanced upon the source of a spring whose murmur he had heard. This broke from the ground like a miraculous fountain, a leap of foam-covered water that fell in an exquisite cascade, singing a silver song as it slipped away through the crannies in the rocks.

About the shepherd grew plants he had never seen, some with wide thick leaves, and others delicate and long like floating ribbons. Half hidden in that humid foliage were running about a number of extraordinary creatures, some of them man-like, some reptilian, or both at once. There, darting in all directions, running across the floor in the form of repugnant hunchbacked dwarves scrambling up the walls, running along.

So there they were, keeping stored up in heaps, all manner of rare and precious things. There were jewels of inestimable worth, chains and necklaces of pearls and exquisite gems, golden jars of classic form, full of rubies, chiseled cups, armor richly wrought, coins with images and superscriptions that it is no longer possible to recognize or decipher. And all glittered together, flashing out such vivid sparks of light and color that it seemed as if the whole hoard were on fire.

Immediately Murillo dipped his hands into the mounds of jewels, gasping as the cool stones trickled past his fingers. And then he paused, the short hairs on the back of his neck bristling. He experienced a sudden sense of dread, of a lurking doom that was growing closer and closer. All at once he heard the pealing of the bell in the monastery

of Nuestra Señora del Moncayo. On hearing the bell, which was ringing the Ave Maria, the shepherd fell to his knees, calling on the Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ.

And instantly, without knowing the means nor the way, he found himself on the outside of the mountain, near the road that leads to the village, thrown out on a footpath and overwhelmed by a great bewilderment as if he had just been startled out of a dream. Disoriented, Murillo stumbled back down the mountain road to Soria. When he came to the village, he was as pale as death; he had surprised the secret of the gnomes. He had breathed their poisonous atmosphere, and he paid for his rashness with his life. But before he died he related marvelous things.

HC addendum.
Source: UFO Roundup Vol. 5 #1 quoting *'Romantic Legends of Spain,'* by Gustavo Adolfo Becqer, Thomas Y Crowell & Co. New York N.Y. 1909.
Type: G?

Location: (Undisclosed location) Bavaria, Germany.
Date: 1815.
Time: 11:00 p.m.

After celebrating a wedding at the time of the carnival, Josef Ostler was returning home when several accompanying him watch him rise up into the air and become invisible. A thorough search was conducted, covering the waters, ditches and other hazardous areas around. It was all in vain. After 12 days Josef suddenly returned.

When asked where he had gone for so long, his response was "Engadin" (a Swiss Canton) and among people he could not understand. It was with difficulty that he managed to make himself understood and with great effort he finally was able to return to his village after 12 days. Nothing else was learned of what Josef saw and he was buried with his secret in 1851.

HC addendum.
Source: Alexander Schopne, *'Legends of Bavaria,'* 3rd Volume. Type: G?

Location: White Mountain Ntl. Forest, Mount Adams, New Hampshire.
Date: 1816.
Time: Midnight.

"In an area of the White Mountain National Forest an incident happened that is the earliest reported close encounter with aliens in N.H. and possibly one of the earliest in North America. Upon closer inspection of a book written in 1896 about New England myths and legends, there was one story with vivid details that sounded strangely familiar to UFO sightings of today.

When it was documented eighty years later, there still weren't any explanations and was considered to be just a local legend. Now, many years later, knowing what we do about technology, we can finally offer an explanation to what was seen. The details of the report tell about a hunter, maybe two, who camped on Mount Adams and witnessed a silver craft on the ground with aliens seen inside and outside walking around, and then the craft was seen flying off.

The "Vision on Mount Adams" reportedly took place in 1816 when "a hunter camped on the side of Mount Adams, was awakened at midnight by the notes of an organ. The mists were rolling off, and he found that he had gone to sleep near a mighty "church" of stone that shone in the soft light. The doors were flung back, showing a tribe of "Indians" kneeling within.

Candles sparkled on the altar, shooting their rays through clouds of incense, and the rocks shook with thunder-gusts of music. Suddenly church, lights, worshippers vanished, and from the mists came forth a line of uncouth forms, marching in silence. As they started to descend the mountain, a silver image, floating in the air, spread a pair of gleaming pinions and took flight, disappearing in the chaos of battlemented rocks above."

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.nhufo.org/Archives quoting Charles M. Skinner *'Myths and Legends of Our Own Land,'* 1896.
Type: A & B?

Location: Gallardon, Beauce, France.
Date: January 15, 1816.
Time: Twilight.

33-year old ploughman Joseph Martin was in the fields collecting horse manure when he heard a voice challenge him from behind; at first he turned around and did not see anything. Afraid he picked up his pitchfork and again heard the voice, this time more insistent. This time when he turned around he distinctly saw a strange figure, which he described as a small caped man, with a hat and a clear frock coat.

The stranger ordered Martin (addressed him a "my friend") to go to Tileries and ask an audience with King Louis XVIII and speak to him on the stranger's behalf. As night fell, the stranger vanished. Martin went home and told his wife what had occurred. She made fun of the situation and advised him to go down to the cellar to fetch some cider.

Once in the cellar, the short caped stranger who told him to trust him because he is "an angel of God" again confronted Martin. The supposed angel formulated a secret message for him to present to the King. The next morning Martin told the abbot of Laperruque about the encounter and this one recognizing Martin's excellent reputation in town, passed the information over to higher authorities.

On April 2, Martin is granted his audience with the King, which lasts for about an hour. The message has given to the king has remained secret to this day, but the next morning King Louis XVIII abdicated and along with the Duke of Angouleme went in exile to England never to return.

HC addendum.
Source: Louis Pauwels, *'Martin of Gallardon.'*
Type: E or F?

Location: Adams, Robertson County, Tennessee.
Date: 1817.
Time: Daytime.

In the early 1800's John Bell moved his family from North Carolina to the Red River bottomland in Robertson County, Tennessee, setting in a community that later became known as Adams. Bell purchased some land and a large log home for his family. The Bells quickly made many friends and gained prominence in the community.

John Bell acquired additional land and cleared a number of fields over the next several years. One day in 1817, John Bell was inspecting his cornfield when he encountered a strange-looking animal sitting in the middle of a cornrow, shocked by the appearance of this animal, which had the body of a dog and the head of a rabbit. Bell shot at it several times without any apparent effect. The animal then vanished. Bell thought nothing more about the incident; at least not until after dinner. That evening, the Bells began hearing "beating" sounds on the outside of their house.

These mysterious sounds continued with increased force each night. Bell and his sons often hurried outside to catch the culprit but always returned empty handed. The noises were soon followed by more problems. The Bell children began waking up frightened and complaining of sounds much like rats gnawing at their bedposts. It wasn't long until the children began complaining of more terrifying things; having their bed covers pulled and their pillows were tossed onto the floor by a seemingly invisible force.

HC addendum.
Source: *'The Bell Witch Legend of Tennessee.'*
Type: E or F?
Comments: This is of course the start of the infamous "Bell Witch" disturbances in this remote area of Tennessee. It is very intriguing that it all started with the encounter with some sort of "crypto" animal or entity.

Location: Atlantic Ocean.
Date: May, 1817.
Time: 2:00 p.m.

"Witnesses onboard the ship "Leonidas" sailing from New York to Havre France reported seeing at latitude 44*6', around two in the afternoon at a distance of about half the ship's length, they saw a strange fish. Its lower parts were like a fish; its belly was all white; the top of the back brown, and there was the appearance of short hair as far as the top of the head.

From the breast upwards it had a near resemblance to a human being and looked upon the observers very earnestly. It apparently remained in sight all afternoon."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Unexplained!'*
Type: E

Location: Machen, Wales.
Date: April, 1818.
Time: Night.

"As J. W. James was going towards ___ (unreadable possibly 'Bodmin') with a young woman, and before they came opposite to Machen Hed, they saw on the east side of it, facing the parish of ___ the resemblance of a boy going before them; and while they were looking at it, they saw it put its head between its legs and transforming itself into a ball of fire, rolling towards the top of the hill; it being as easy for a spirit to go up as to come down.

Presently after they heard the jingling sound of iron, with which they saw many horses drawing a load; they went beyond *Ponty Meast Bridge,* and then turned to a cross lane leading towards a house where there was a man lying dead. When they went a little farther, they saw the Earth clearing and opening and out of it came a pillar of fire, which waving in the air, singed the young woman's handkerchief of a yellow color, which could never be washed out but continued as long as any of the handkerchief remained.

The man afterwards seriously confessed that it was his intention to debauch the young woman in his journey, but the dreadful sight prevented his evil intentions.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill, Magonia Exchange quoting *Blackwood's Edinburgh* magazine No. XIII April, 1818.
Type: E?

Location: Vehkalahti, Finland.
Date: 1820's.
Time: Unknown.

According to local lore several witnesses saw descending on the local cemetery what they described as a 'light-ship' from which several human-like beings emerged. Apparently a strange metal plate was left on the site which contained numerous bizarre drawings and 'intricacies.' Supposedly the plate was re-discovered in the 1970's and it was first submitted to Kerkonnen who then gave it to Nokia's CEO; Westerlund.

HC addendum.
Source: Conspiracy Intl. (Kirjautumaton) Finland.
Type: B?

Location: Rhine region, Germany.
Date: 1820.
Time: Unknown.

Spiritualist Emma Hardinge Britten recorded a description of mine Kobolds from a Madame Kalodzy, who stayed with peasants named Dorothea and Michael Engelbrecht;

"We were about to sit down to tea when Miss Gronin called our attention to the steady light, round, and about the size of a cheese plate, which appeared suddenly on the wall of the little garden directly opposite the door of the hut in which we sat. Before any of us could rise to examine it, four more lights appeared almost simultaneously, about the same shape, and varying only in size.

Surrounding each one was the dim outline of a small human figure, black and grotesque, more like a little image carved out of black shining wood, than anything else I can liken them to. Dorothea kissed her hands to these dreadful little shapes and Michael bowed with great reverence. As for me and my companions, we were awe-struck yet amused at these comical shapes, that we could not move or speak until they themselves seemed to flit about in a sort of wavering dance, and then vanish, one by one."

The same informant claimed to later have seen the kobolds first-hand. She described them as "diminutive black dwarfs about two or three feet in height, and at that part which in the human being is occupied by the heart, they carry the round luminous circle first described, an appearance which is much more frequently seen than the little black men themselves."

The Heinzelmannchen of Cologne resemble short, naked men and the Klabautermann, a kobold from the beliefs of fishermen and sailors of the Baltic Sea, typically appears as a small, pipe-smoking human-like figure wearing a yellow nightcap-style sailor's hat and a red or grey jacket.

HC addendum.
Source: Joseph Snowe, *'The Rhine: Legends, traditions, history from Cologne to Mainz.'*
Type: E

Location: Manchester, New York.
Date: Spring 1820.
Time: Afternoon.

Mormon spiritual leader Joseph Smith, 15-years of age at the time, said that he had gone out into the woods to meditate after a particular harrowing day. As he headed toward a hill near his home: “Immediately I was seized upon by some power which entirely overcame me, and had such an astonishing influence over me.”

He could not speak as thick darkness gathered around him. Moments later a pillar of light descended gradually until it fell upon him. His next memory was of seeing two “personages” that were glowing brightly and stood above him in the air. They called him by name and introduced themselves as father and son.

HC addendum.
Source: Chris Aubeck, *‘Return to Magonia’* citing *The Pearl of Great Price,* by Joseph Smith.
Type: C or F?

Location: London, England.
Date: October 16, 1821.
Time: Evening.

A local resident reportedly saw “a cupola illuminated like a sun” maneuvering above his house for some 30 minutes. He stated that the occupants of the craft were numerous;

“fifteen or twenty; I don’t know exactly. Little flames leaped out from the contraption, like serpent tongues. One of the occupants who seemed bigger than the others, noticed me while I was standing at the threshold of my house and motioned to me. I was unable to understand the meaning of the gesture. What did he want to say to me?”

HC addendum.
Source: http://farshores.org/htufoe1.htm
Type: A

Location: Dublin, Ireland.
Date: June 19, 1822.
Time: Evening.

"On Sunday evening, at sunset, the following vision was distinctly beheld by three persons in the neighborhood of Dublin. Towards the southwest appeared a single cloud, which during a space of half an hour, presented the form of a female. The face and figure in purple. The features which were clearly distinguishable, were of exceeding beauty. The hair curled in front, and shot towards the back of the head, disposed in a graceful knot, with a tress waving from it, in the manner of a Grecian female, as appears in some statutes and busts.

The hands were folded on the breast, in a manner expressing reverence and devotion. From the waist downwards, the figure was enveloped in close drapery, one part only appearing. Behind the figure, but closely attached to it, was a smaller cloud, which had the appearance of a gauze drapery, broadly expanded and gracefully folded towards the extremity.

The whole object was placed in strong relief against a clear blue sky, the relief rendered still more perfect by the rays of the glaring sun acting upon the back of the cloud. Nothing could exceed the delicacy of the feature and the exactness with which they were presented to the view. After presenting this appearance for nearly an hour, the figure gently and gradually retired and disappeared in the western horizon."

HC addendum.
Source: *The Morning Post* London, England, June 22, 1822.
Type: E?

Location: Coast of Southern, California.
Date: 1823.
Time: Unknown.

According to Pennsylvania newspaper *Columbia Spy* (March 7th 1863) a traveler named Hernando Grijalva had spotted a very strange creature off the coast of southern California. The creature, which he described as half-monkey and half-fish, easily dived, leapt and otherwise cavorted around the boat and was even able to float in a "sitting" position.

The aquatic anomaly was said to have 'a dog's head and eyes, arms like a man, breast and body like a woman, with a long tail like a fish and divided at the end like a swallow's tail." It was the color of a porpoise and may have had scales on the tail. Grijalva and others were able to observe the entity for more than an hour and compared its size to that of sea otter.

HC addendum.
Source: B. M. Nunnelly, *'The Inhumanoids: Encounters with Beings that can't exist.'*
Type: E

Location: Manchester, New York.
Date: September 21, 1823.
Time: Night.



According to Joseph Smith the most important visitation happened on this date. He discovered a light appearing in his room, which continued to increase until the room was lighter than at noonday, when immediately a personage appeared at his bedside, standing in air, for his feet did not touch the floor. The entity had no shoes but wore a loose white robe that shone so brightly that Smith declared that he did not "believe that any earthly thing could be made to appear so exceedingly white and brilliant."

The figure introduced himself as 'Moroni,' a messenger sent by God. Moroni had a message for the young man. Smith had been chosen to translate part of the scriptures then would let the world know the true story of the American continent. All he had to do was to dig them up at a particular spot on the Hill of Cumorah, where they had lain buried for centuries, and translated them into English.

Adding a few quotes from the Old Testament for good measure, mainly about ancient prophesies that were shortly going to be fulfilled. Moroni then left. In his own words, this is how Joseph Smith described the moment that this happened;

"I saw the light in my room gather immediately around the person of him who had been speaking to me, and it continued to do so until the room was again left dark, except just around him; when, instantly I saw, as it were, a conduit open right into heaven, and he ascended until he entirely disappeared."

A little while later, on the same night, the "angel" reappeared in Smith's room. According to the visitor, the future was grim, and "great desolations by famine, sword and pestilence" would be coming. Having related those things, he again ascended as he had done before. The mysterious Moroni appeared again that night.

HC addendum.
Source: Virtually Strange.net also Francis Kirkham, *Concerning the Origin of the Book of Mormon* (Salt Lake City, 1937).
Type: E

Location: Kolomenskoye, Moscow, Russia.
Date: 1825.
Time: Evening.

Two local peasants (possibly slightly inebriated) were returning to their village south of present day Moscow on the banks of the River Moskva when they decided to take a short cut through the bottom of a deep gully. Unexpectedly as both men walked between two huge stones, they fell down some kind of corridor apparently into some parallel reality or world. There they saw large hairy humanoid entities that communicated with them and explained to them that they had indeed slipped into another dimensional space and that it would be difficult for them to return back to their plane, but they would attempt to assist the men in doing just that. After some time both peasants found themselves back in the gully and immediately ran to their village but to their surprise more than 20 years had gone by since they had disappeared!

Luckily some of their relatives still remained in the village and remembered them. The men thought that they had only been gone no more than one day. The police intervened in the manner and interrogated the men, incredibly while being interviewed in front of the police and other local citizens, one of the men suddenly disappeared without a trace. The second man fell into a deep depression after seeing his friend disappear and later committed suicide.

HC addendum.
Source: *Inoplanetyanin* (Extraterrestrial) weekly newspaper, Ukraine #19, May 24, 2005, Vadim A Chernobrov, *'Encyclopedia of Mysterious places in Russia,'* quoting Evgeniy Ivanov, Moscow, 2004.
Type: G?
Comments: Rumors circulated that the area was some kind of portal or gateway to some other dimension, somehow connected with the large stones or dolmens. There are other cases on record of local residents disappearing without a trace. UFOs have also been seen in the area including some videotaped by journalist Vladimir Revenko.

Location: Taganrog, Russia.
Date: November 19, 1825.
Time: Night.



Feyodor, the old gardener of the estate belonging to the Russian Tsar (Emperor) Alexander the First (1777-1825) was returning home from the christening of his granddaughter. The night was cold and windy. The witness later was to allege on his deathbed that he was “completely sober” explaining that he couldn’t use alcohol since birth because of a distinct allergy to it.

The closer Feyodor got to the garden the stormier it seemed to become. The wind was literally knocking him down when suddenly everything became quiet. The gardener was amazed by the sudden change in the weather and looked around. And then unexpectedly the whole garden was lit up by an unbelievably bright “diabolic” light. Feyodor raised his head to the sky and saw a huge bluish sphere or globe “as if made out of fire.”

The garden became illuminated just like broad daylight as a result of the light. The old man’s knees became weak as he then lay down next to a bush to observe what occurred next. The scene he beheld was spectacular. The globe-shaped fiery object descended lower and lower straight down onto the garden. Near the ground three narrow shiny landing props jutted out of the object. At the same time the verandah’s door was flung open, and Tsar Alexander the First and his wife Elizabeth appeared, both casually dressed for a night’s walk.

Amazing as it appeared to the witness, the incredible sight did not seem to bother them or affect them in any way. The Emperor then turned to his wife and kissed her on her forehead; he then sharply turned and began walking along the garden path towards the fiery globe. The Empress remained standing in place and covered her face with her palms.

The elderly witness, then saw Alexander approach the fiery globe. The Emperor was then levitated into the air and seemed to melt into the fiery globe. The next second Feyodor lost consciousness and blacked out. Later he woke up feeling a strong icy wind all around him. In the morning of November 19, 1825 at 9:00 a.m. the death of the Emperor was publicly announced.

The empress testified about the fact. The body in the closed coffin was never examined to establish the fact that it was really that of Alexander the first. Feyodor only confessed about the incident on his deathbed and died in complete belief that the Tsar was taken to God and the skies alive because "of his good deeds."

HC addendum.
Source: *Sekretnye Isslendovaniya* (Secret Research) Dnepropetrovsk Ukraine #11, 2005.
Type: G
Comments: Is this proof that "extraterrestrials" have had for hundreds of year's direct influence into human affairs?

Additional information:

Tsar Alexander I, the man of mystery became ever more involved in mysticism and increasingly more suspicious of those around him. On the way to a conference in Aachen Germany, an attempt had been made to kidnap him. Now he would trust no one. At home, his young daughter; an only child, died and his wife became ill. In 1825 the 'Tsar of all the Russians' died in the city of Taganrog. After an official announcement of the Tsar's death, a British ambassador at the Russian court said he had seen Alexander boarding a ship. It was later rumored that a monk, Feodor Kuzmich, was really the former ruler. Whatever the truth when the Soviet Government opened Alexander's grave many years later it was empty. (!) http://www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexander_I_of_Russia

Location: Aberystwyth, Wales.
Date: July, 1826.
Time: Daytime.

A farmer from the parish of Llanuwchaiarn, about three miles from Aberystwyth, whose house is within 300 feet of the seashore, descended, the rock, when the sun was shining beautifully upon the sea, and he saw a woman (as he thought) washing herself in the sea within a stone's throw of him. At first, he modestly turned back; but after a moment's reflection thought that a woman would not go so far out into the sea, as it was flooded at the time, and he was certain that the water was six feet deep in the spot where he saw her standing.

After considering the matter, he threw himself down on his face and crept on to the edge of the precipice from which place he had a good view of her for more than half-an-hour, after scrutinizing her himself, he crept back to call his family to see this wonderful sight. After telling them what he had seen, he directed them from the door where to go and to creep near the rock as he had done. Some of them went when they were only half dressed, for it was early morning, and they had only just got up from bed.

Arriving at the spot, they looked at her for about ten minutes, as the farmer was calling his wife and the younger child. When the wife came on, she did not throw herself down as the others had done, but walked on within sight of the creature; but as soon as the mermaid saw her, she dived into the water, and swam away till she was about the same distance from them then when she was first seen.

The whole family; husband, wife, children, menservants and maidservants altogether twelve in number, ran along the shore for more than half-a-mile, and during most of that time, they saw her in the sea, and sometimes her head and shoulders were upwards out of the water. There were a large stone, more than a yard in height, in the sea on which she stood when she was first seen.

She was standing out of the water from her waist up, and the whole family declared that she was exactly the same as a young woman of about 18 years of age, both in shape and stature. Her hair was short, and of a dark color, her face rather handsome, her neck and arms were like those of any ordinary woman, her breast blameless and her skin whiter than that of any person they had ever seen before. Her face was towards the shore. She bent herself down frequently, as if taking up water, and then holding her hand before her face for about half-a-minute.

When she was thus bending herself, there was to be seen some black thing as if there was a tail turning up behind her. She often made some noise like sneezing, which caused the rock to echo. The farmer who had first seen her, and had had the opportunity of looking at her for some time, said that he had never seen but very few women so handsome in appearance as this mermaid. All the family, the youngest of whom is now

eleven years old, are now alive, and we obtained, word for word, as it is given here, from them themselves within the last month.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com and http://www.strangehistory.net/2012/02/13/an-aberystwyth-mermaid/
Type: E

Location: Isle of Bute, near Rothesay, Scotland.
Date: July, 1826.
Time: Daytime.

"A gentleman of veracity, in passing along the east coast of the Isle of Bute the other day, saw a mermaid near Rothesay, and within one yard of the shore. The mermaid was combing her fine black locks with the utmost of deliberation, and apparently quite unconscious of the presence of more civilized beings!

Another large sea monster, having a body resembling that of a man, but with the head of a brute, was disporting himself in the vicinity; but, with greater modesty than the female, or a deeper sense of his unfitness to be so seen, he disappeared whenever the veracious gentleman and his companion came in sight."

HC addendum.
Source: Post in Magonia Exchange list quoting Atlas, London, July 23, 1826.
Type: E
Comments: This is the 2nd report of apparent 'mermaids' or merbeings reported in the same region. It appears to be two separate accounts.

Location: Odenso, Kronoberg County, Sweden.
Date: Fall 1826.
Time: Unknown.

Daniel Nilsson had a difficult and lengthy struggle with a “Lindorm” in the forest of Ulvehult, No additional details.

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *‘Mysterious Creatures.’*
Type: E?
Comments: A “Lindorm” is supposedly a wingless dragon-like creature of northern Europe.
Location: Tjerwerk, Friesland, The Netherlands.
Date: 1827.
Time: Night.

A man named Lieuwe Klaasens, together with a local pastor, saw a fireball descending from the sky and land nearby. The fireball took the shape of a human; it then strolled towards a small “terp” (an ancient Frisian burial ground). There, the fiery human rolled itself up to a ball and disappeared in the air.

HC addendum.
Source: M. D. Teenstra, K. ter Laan, Folkloristisch Woordenboek Van Nederland.
Type: E

Location: Northern Maryland.
Date: July, 1827.
Time: Night.

"A curious occurrence took place in this neighborhood a short time ago. A pony, belonging to a young lady, was found every morning in a miserable state, dirty and tired. As it was supposed to have been taken out of the field for some nightly excursion, a person was placed to watch the field, and as soon as night set in, he observed by the light of the moon, a black hairy monster enter the field and leap on the back of the pony, which immediately bounded away, and galloped round the enclosure with great impetuosity.

Fancying the rider to be an agent of his Satanic Majesty, if not the sable Monarch in person, the sentinel went off as fast as he could go to procure some comrades, who speedily arrived at the field, and were eye witnesses of the shaggy horseman's equestrian fetes; these in their turn yielded to fright and decamped. The next night some resolute fellows stationed themselves in different parts of the field, and the black gentleman having recommenced his nocturnal airing, they closed in upon him, and soon ascertained that the oppressor of the unfortunate pony was a large Baboon, which it is supposed had escaped from some wreck, and being obliged to make the woods his solitary retreat in the daytime, had recourse to horse exercise for recreation.

Some days previously the same animal jumped on the back of a man who was going for a load of stones at six in the morning; and such is the poor fellow state of mind, arising from excessive alarm, that he cannot be prevailed on to travel the same road again."

HC addendum.
Source: Magonia exchange posting quoting *The Republican Star* and *General Advertiser*, Easton Maryland, July 24 1827.
Type: E
Comments: Bizarre tale indeed, I tend to disagree that it was really some type of escaped circus animal, like a Baboon.

Location: Palmyra, New York.
Date: September 22, 1827.
Time: Night.

Six years passed before Joseph Smith received word to unearth the tablets. That night the skies were aflame with a spectacular display of meteors, falling stars and luminous spheres. One of the many witnesses was another young man who lived in northern New York but was unacquainted with Joseph Smith. His name was Brigham Young.

Smith dug into the hillside, found the box exactly as Moroni had said, pried off the lid, and discovered the gold plates along with crystalline devices which became known as the Urim and Thummim. He spent the next three years translating the strange writing; although he had little formal education; purportedly with the aid of the lens-like objects. Eleven of his friends and neighbors signed formal affidavits swearing they had viewed the plates. But once they had been translated, the gold plates vanished.

HC addendum.
Source: John A. Keel, *'Our Haunted Planet.'*
Type: F

Location: North of Wingen, Australia.
Date: March, 1828.
Time: Unknown.

The Australasian Post reported that a large silvery cigar-shaped object had landed at the Burning Mountain Nature Reserve, setting fire to all the vegetation and killing nearby cattle. “The noise was dreadful and there was a serious of loud bangs.” Tall man-like strangers later appeared in the town. They never said a word but always pointed to the things they wanted. Around the same time several locals and domesticated animals disappeared.

HC addendum.
Source:http://www.theozfiles.com/history_australian_ufo_history.html retrieved 27 November, 2010.
Type: C?

Location: Near Sparnick, Cornwall, England.
Date: 1829.
Time: Evening.

Some half century ago there lived on the downs above Sparnick an industrious hard-working tailor, well known in the entire district around, named William D. One evening after a long day's work he set out from Calenick to walk to his home; it was then a far more lonely walk than now; over bare bleak downs and through retired lanes; but he walked steadily on through the deepening twilight.

As he approached Kea churchyard, the night wind coughs dismally through the spreading branches of the pines with a weird eerie sound, and he redoubled his pace to pass the sooner the gloomy spot; when, as he neared the church stile, he was startled by seeing a troop of piskies (pixies) suddenly appear; they were about eighteen inches high, and all dressed alike, with high, sugar loaf black hats, and little red cloaks. These wee folk descend the low bank from the open common at a run, rapidly cross the road in single file, ascend the hedge and disappear into the dim churchyard beyond.

Startled by the sudden apparition, he paused a moment, then dashed his heavy stick after the fairy crew, and climbed the fence, but no sign or vestige of the troop could anywhere be seen; they had vanished from sight as rapidly as they appeared. One long look around and then he hurried home hotfoot, to spread the tale to the wondering neighbors, which he often repeated, of how he saw the Piskies at Kea churchyard.

HC addendum.
Source: Simon Young, Magonia exchange quoting *'Cornish Antiquities and Folklore,'* St Kea II, *Royal Cornwall Gazette* (Friday 12 December, 1879).
Type: E
Comments: In the Cornish tradition there is a quite precise but probably artificial (imposed from above) typology of Knockers (mine spirits), Spriggans (treasure guardians) and Pixies (aka Piskies) the sociopaths of the southwestern fey. Young has come across though a handful of references to pixies in mines and more interestingly Pixy lights being associated with the discovery of minerals.

Location: Okefenokee Swamp, Ware County, Georgia.
Date: June, 1829.
Time: Various.

"Residing on the borders of this swamp in Ware County, and others who lived on the opposite side in Florida, locals had long heard from Creek Indians of an enchanted island inhabited by "mortals of super-human dimensions and incomparable beauty. The story goes that two men and a boy had taken advantage of a long dry spell and pushed deep into the swamp for two weeks to seek this island.

However, their progress suddenly arrested at the appearance of the print of a footstep so unearthly in its dimensions, so ominous of power, and terrible in form, that they paused. The print was eighteen inches long and nine inches across, the stride of this giant over six feet. The party hastily returned and spread the tale of the "Man Mountain."

Hearing the story, nine Florida hunters ventured into the swamp, after several days journey, they found a similar print and others. The men followed the tracks for several days and had camped on a ridge when two of their members simultaneously discharged at an advancing and ferocious wild beast whose screams made the swamp reverberate with a deafening roar.

The creature came full in their view, advancing upon them with a terrible look. Our little band instinctively gathered upon them with a terrible look. The huge being, nothing daunted, bounded upon his victims, and in the same instant received the contents of seven rifles. But he did not die alone; nor until he had glutted his wrath with the death of five of them, which he effected by wringing off the head from the body.

The four surviving men examined the prostrate giant as it died, wallowing and roaring. His length was thirteen feet, and his breadth and volume of just proportions. Fearing that the struggle might have alerted similar beings, the men gathered their comrades' guns and fled for home."

HC addendum.
Source: Jim Miles, *'Weird Georgia,'* quoting John Ostean *Milledgeville Statesman*.
Type: H?

Location: Near Langholm, Scotland.
Date: June, 1829.
Time: Evening.

"A battle of the clouds: We are informed by an Edinburgh gentleman who travelled last week between Jedburgh and Dumfries that a singular optical illusion was observed very recently from the top of a hill near Langholm. The sky which had previously been dark, and towering, gradually assumed a brighter hue; the clouds dissipated and were gathered into masses which lowered like the Alps or the Andes themselves, till a vast amphitheater of ether was unfolded, into which the squadrons of two aerial armies deployed, and took up positions with the greatest regularity. After a solemn pause the word of command appeared to be given, and then the whole sky became instinct with motion; then commenced a struggle sublime from its magnitude, and appalling beyond the power of words to express.

A thousand charges floating in the breeze, the charge of infantry, the shock of cavalry, the array of artillery, were all beheld at the same moment; aids-de-camp galloped across the lines. Generals issued orders and were promptly obeyed; detachments were outflanked, overpowered, taken; horses and riders reeled and fell, commingling in the direst confusion imaginable; columns of reserve supplied every void, closed every breach in the opposing lines, advancing in many cases over mountains of slain; and in one word, the pomp and circumstance of a huge battlefield were so vividly depicted in all their accompaniments that the spectator half believing the vision real, resembled a person who has just awakened from a troubled dream and asserts involuntarily the well-known saying; "And morning dreams, as poets tell are true."

But illusions of this kind, though perhaps like angel visits, few and far between, have been repeatedly noted in mountainous countries; Everybody has heard of the aerial specter of the Hartz Mountains, so gigantic that he frills the whole horizon, and clutches the extremities of the welkin, itself; and nearer home those who are most conversant with "sky influences," such as the shepherd or the hill farmer, have noted and recorded many strange sights, which both before and after the times of the cove-nanters were regarded as typical of some dire calamity.

What is more to the point, between forty and fifty years ago an illusion, similar to the one we have described, was observed at the same spot, and an intelligent gentleman who was then alive, committed to writing the depositions of a great number of witnesses, a document which, we understand, is still in existence."

HC addition.

Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, quoting *Salem Gazette* (Salem MA) Tuesday June 23, 1829.
Location: Near Halton Bar, Leeds, England.
Date: September, 1829.
Time: 11:00 p.m.

"Freaks of the Moon. The *York Herald* gravely gives the following under the head of Celestial Phenomena: A person has called at our office, who relates some very curious appearances which he says he (in company with several others) witnesses, in the moon, on their road from Leeds to this city, on Thursday night. When they came near Halton Bar, about 11 o'clock, the moon had just risen above the horizon, and was shining serenely in a clear atmosphere.

As the party were remarking to each other on the fineness of the night, the moon seemed to part in two, its disc separating down the center, and leaving an apparent space of about one yard between the two hemispheres, in which the distant and deep azure of the sky was visible. Whilst in this state, from the northern limb of the inner orb, a bright appearance darted forth in form like the head of a spear, and surrounded with brilliant stars.

On a sudden, it seemed to be withdrawn, and in its place appeared the distinct form of two human figures, which were visible to the waist and one arm and the hand of one of them was extended on the surfaces of that half of the disc from which it emerged.
A deep red girdle was around the head of one of them. This appearance remained for some time, when a cloud obscured the moon altogether from view. On it shaving passed away, the same occurrence was renewed, and our informant states that the whole time, during which he had an uninterrupted view of these strange phenomena, was above an hour, and that he and those that were with him were greatly amazed at the wonderful appearance.

We give this account as nearly as possible as it was related to us; and no doubt someone may have seen these phenomena, who may be able to vie us a more scientific description, and perhaps definition of them."

HC addendum.
Source: *Leicester Chronicle* 29 August, 1829, Leicestershire, England.
Type: A?

Location: St Lawrence River area, northern New York.
Date: 1830's.
Time: Afternoon.

Once while checking traps, trapper, Bob McCain, heard a sound like a young child calling for help. He followed the sound along a brook and came to a clearing. The sight that greeted his eyes made him gasp in disbelief. There, caught in a trap, was a little man some two feet tall. The tiny fellow began screaming his lungs out. He kept yelling and tugging desperately at the jaw of the trap holding him. His leg was clamped in a trap that could have broken it, but the leg was undamaged. He had a look of sheer terror as Bob slowly approached.

Bob reached down and sprung the trap open, at the same time gently picking the tiny man up, who kept yelling and struggling to free himself. Maybe he thought he was about to be devoured. The strangest thing about this little man was that he had no weight. Bob could feel his body, but weight was missing. It was like holding air.

"Calm down little fellow," said Bob. *"I won't hurt ya none."* His captive was more frightened than injured. His trousers were torn, but no sigh of blood was visible. Bob said that the tiny man had green, leathery clothing and boots. His eyes were large but he hadn't any eyebrows. He wore a small beard and had an odd looking scarf around his neck. Bob still couldn't get over the face that he was weightless. Bob knelt and placed his captive on the ground. The little man stood up, looked at the gigantic form before him, and slowly backed away.

Reaching the safety of the trees, he turned and fled into the forest. Looking down, Bob discovered that the tiny man had forgotten his hat. He used this as evidence when telling his strange story. This mysterious hat was reportedly on display in some general store during the early 1930s. What became of big Bob McCain is unknown.

HC addendum.
Source: Ron Quinn *'Little People.'*
Type: E
Comments: My take on these types of entities is that they are denizens of parallel worlds that have the ability to visit our realm at times.

Location: Near Griminis, Benbecula Island, Outer Hebrides, Scotland.
Date: 1830.
Time: Morning.

A group of crofters in an island were cutting seaweed when one of them stumbled across an animal "in the form of a woman in miniature" on the shore. The men in the party tried and failed to capture her, but as she tried to swim to safety a boy hurled a stone that struck her in the back.

Two days later, her dead body washed up two miles from where she had been seen, and a careful examination was made of it. "The upper part of the creature was about the size of a well-fed child of three or four years of age, with abnormally developed breasts." The hair was long, dark, and glossy, while the skin was white, soft, and tender. The lower part of the body was like a salmon, but without scales. It was reportedly buried near the sea.

HC addendum.
Source: Mike Dash, *'Borderlands.'*
Type: E or H?

Location: Greater London, England.
Date: 1830.
Time: Various.

In the general area of St. John's Wood, a strange entity was rumored to frequent NW8 and the surrounding areas during the 1830's. Some reports said it wore chainmail, others saying it was more bear-like in nature.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/index.htm
Type: E

Location: Paris, France.
Date: Summer 1830.
Time: Night.

24-year old novice of the Sisters of Charity, Catherine Laboure, was awakened by a young child, about five years old, dressed in white who called to her: *"Catherine, Catherine, wake up. Come to the chapel, the Blessed Virgin is waiting for you."* Catherine decided to follow the child down to the chapel. The candles were burning as if at a midnight Mass.

About 30 minutes later, at midnight, she heard a noise that sounded like the rustle of a silk dress. When she looked up she saw a beautiful young woman surrounded by a blaze of white light sitting in the Father Director's chair. The child who brought her to the chapel told her: *"Here is the Blessed Virgin!"* Catherine fell to her knees and placed her hands on Mary's lap.

During this discourse with the Blessed Mother, Catherine was warned of dire future occurrences. Mary told her; *"the times are very evil. Sorrows will befall France; the throne will be overturned. The whole world will be plunged into every kind of misery."* Catherine was to have another encounter that same November.

HC addendum.
Source: *'Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.'*
Type: E or F?

Location: Southeast, New York.
Date: Summer 1830.
Time: Night.

Shortly after purchasing a local iron ore mine, Tillingham (Tilly) Foster, couldn't sleep one summer night and decided to go for a walk. The night was clear and warm and he decided to walk to the mine entrance. As he approached the path that led to the mine, Mr. Foster felt a very cold wind that seemed to be coming out of the opening. He stopped dead in his tracks and saw a glowing mist emerge from the mine entrance.

As Mr. Foster stared at the mist, he noticed the center of the cloud was glowing much brighter than the rest of it. The mist took the shape of a human and started floating toward him; when this took place, a violent wind kicked up and he thought he heard a voice speak in an unknown language. He watched in terror as the figure slowly drifted by him and returned to the mine entrance where it vanished.

He later talked about this apparition sighting at the local tavern in town where a very old local Native American medicine man told him that what he saw was the 'ghost' of a Native American princess who was buried in or near the mine and was upset that her tomb had been violated. Legend says that because of this ghostly encounter Mr. Foster never took the iron ore out of the earth; he was concerned the ghost would come back or put a curse on his family.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip J. Imbrogno, *'Files from the Edge.'*
Type: E
Comments: Perhaps a real apparitional entity or a ghost.

Location: Near Zarnow, Germany.
Date: 1831.
Time: Night.

It was reported that a terrible wolf was loose in the woods and was causing great harm to humans and cattle. Once he even ripped a child to pieces. All the peasants in the region banded together and pursued him, finally surrounding him in some brush. They were about to kill it when suddenly a large man-like figure holding a club appeared before them. Thinking that the terrifying figure was a werewolf, the peasants scattered.

HC addendum.
Source: J. D. H. Temme.
Type: E

Location: Near Harrodsburg, Jessamine County, Kentucky.
Date: January, 1831.
Time: Afternoon.

A Mr. Patrick C. Flournoy was on business walking along the north side of the Kentucky River when he unexpectedly encountered a being whose "strangeness of visage inspired me with the most horrible sensations." When he first saw the being, it was lying upon the ground, his tail tied to the limb of a tree, about twenty yards distant. He judged it to be about thirty yards in length and about the size of a "bed cord." The tramping of Flournoy's horses feet startled the creature and it bounded to the tree, climbing up by his tail, which, as before stated, was tied to a limb.

Recovering somewhat from his confusion, Flournoy advanced nearer the tree, where he "minutely surveyed his whole presence." Its head was of the usual dimensions, and his hair was long and flowing, reaching nearly to his waist. His eye (he had but one; in the center of his forehead) was almost white, and near the size of a silver dollar. His body was covered with hair and feathers, and his feet resembled those of a bear. He skipped with facility from limb to limb, and muttered unintelligible words in a harsh tone.

Whilst he was intently gazing at Flournoy, Flournoy rode around the tree about four times, the creature's head turning each time with him. When he stopped, the creature's head was still for a moment, when it wheeled with the velocity of a top, until it resumed its position. Seeing him about to descend by means of his tail, Flournoy put spurs to his horse, and reached the ferry, greatly terrified and nearly out of breath.

HC addendum.
Source: Fabio Picasso post in Magonia list quoting *Hagerstown Mail* Vol. III No. 33.
Type: E

Location: Gatcombe, Isle of Wight, England.
Date: June 13, 1831.
Time: Daytime.

A local woman on her way to church, Lucy Lightfoot, disappeared mysteriously when an eclipse covered the sun and the island was hit by a terrible hurricane. At the same time, an effigy of Edward Estur at Gatcombe Church 'changed.' Years later, the vicar claimed to have discovered written evidence that the young lady had gone back in time and married the man subject in the effigy.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/islewight/
Type: X

Location: Off the Isle of Yell, Scotland.
Date: July, 1833.
Time: Unknown.

Six fishermen reported that their fishing line had become entangled with a mermaid. They said they had kept her onboard their boat for three hours, and said that she was about three feet long. “She offered no resistance nor attempted to bite, but she moaned piteously.”

A few stiff bristles were on top of the head, extending down to the shoulder, and these she could erect and depress at pleasure, something like a crest. She had neither gill nor fins and there were no scales on her body. The men, who were very superstitious threw her overboard eventually and said that she dived “in a perpendicular direction.”

HC addendum.
Source: *‘The Historical Mermaid.’*
Type: E

Location: Szeged, Hungary.
Date: July 1, 1836.
Time: Night.

Globular lights, poltergeist effects and apparitions of an entity resembling "a lady in white" and a dwarf-sized Franciscan monk. The case mainly concerns a so-called haunted house and objects being thrown around by unseen hands. Such manifestations are not uncommon in Ufological literature and have been related by some researchers to the abduction phenomenon.

HC addendum.
Source: Ion Hobana and Julien Weverbergh, *'UFO's Behind the Iron Curtain.'*
Type: E?

Location: Barnes Common, London, England.
Date: February, 1837.
Time: Various.

For three nights during February, men and women walking down backstreets in Barnes Common in southwest London reported seeing *'Springheeled Jack.'* Jack was described as being ghoul-like with glowing red eyes and was able to make women faint and males to tremble with fear.

A police constable also saw the creature and confirmed the witness descriptions. The constable had also seen Jack jump over a twelve foot high wall in one impressive leap. These are regarded as the first sightings of Spring-Heeled Jack.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'Strange and mysterious Great Britain, Ireland and Europe, 1800-1977.'*
Type: E

Location: Thameside, London, England.
Date: October, 1837.
Time: Various.

Several witnesses saw a humanoid wearing a cloak as well as a tight-fitting one piece garment over the body. There was also a transparent globe over the head as well. Not an ordinary gentleman, he was described as having a pair of burning eyes, a prominent nose, bony fingers, like claws and the pointed ears of an animal.

The odd humanoid was also seen at times with a strange type lamp strapped to his chest and was seen around the area. Where this strange traveler had come from nobody knew. The locals would eventually call him "Springheeled Jack." Eventually he would keep returning and not only to London.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'Strange and mysterious Great Britain, Ireland and Europe, 1800-1977.'*
Type: E

Location: Middlesex, England.
Date: Mid-November, 1837.
Time: Various.

A strange humanoid was seen stalking villagers by day and night. This particular personage, if that, avoided capture by police by being able to leap over tall hedges and walls from a standing start. He developed the nickname of "Spring-heeled Jack." Those who came face to face with him described him as tall, thin and powerful with a prominent nose, animal-like ears and long bony fingers that resembled claws.

He was remarkably agile and wore a long flowing cape over slender shoulders. There was a tall metallic helmet on his head and some witnesses saw a bright lamp on his chest whilst others saw a metal mesh under his cloak as well as the lamp. Jack would knock at certain doors at random and disturb the occupants. Returning with his Springheeled gait he would then depart the same way.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'Strange and mysterious Great Britain, Ireland and Europe, 1800-1977.'*
Type: E

Location: Marylebone, England.
Date: 1838.
Time: Unknown.

A youth was accosted by two strange tall men in long black cloaks, their faces speared with red brick dust, which he narrowly escaped from. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: http://blackcatpress.co.uk
Type: E

Location: London, England.
Date: February 20, 1838.
Time: 8:30 p.m.



Lucy Scales, 18 and her sister Margaret Scales were returning home, from their brother's house in the Limehouse area. Reports indicate that Spring Heeled Jack jumped out in front of Lucy Scales and spat blue fire in her face. Written evidence indicates that Lucy was "blinded." Whether this blindness was temporary, permanent or simply a figure of speech is not known. After the attack, witnesses claim that Spring Heeled Jack jumped from the ground to the roof of a house and made his escape.

HC addendum.
Source: *'Spring Heeled Jack,'* London, England.
Type: E

Location: London, England.
Date: February 22, 1838.
Time: Night.



18-year old Jane Alsop was in her home on Bearhind Lane in the Bow district, when she heard rapping on the door. Answering the door, a black-cloaked man exclaimed, *"I'm a police officer. For God's sake, bring me a light, for we have caught Spring Heeled Jack in the lane."* Jane, who lived with her father and two sisters, went to fetch a light for the man. She returned with a candle and as she was handing the light to the man, it shone on his face and she noticed that it was Spring Heeled Jack.

He immediately spat a blue and white "gas" into her face. She attempted to run back into the house but he held on tightly to the back of her hair. One of her sisters managed to pull her out of his grasps and drag her back into the house. Spring Heeled Jack continued banging on the door some time before hastily leaving.

Jane described him as wearing a large helmet and a sort of tight-fitting costume that felt like oilskin. But the cape was just like the ones worn by the police officers. His hands were as cold as ice and like powerful claws. The most frightening thing about him was his eyes, which shone like balls of fire.

HC addendum.
Source: *'Spring Heeled Jack,'* London, England.
Type: E

Location: London, England.
Date: February 23, 1838.
Time: Night.

The following day on Turner Street near Commercial Road a strange figure knocked on the resident's door. When a servant boy answered the door, the figure asked to speak to the master of the house, Mr. Ashworth. The boy turned to call Mr. Ashworth when he noticed, out of the corner of his eye, that the visitor was none other than Spring Heeled Jack. With glowing orange eyes and clawed hands, Spring Heeled Jack waved his fist at the boy and leapt over the houses on Commercial Road. The lad noticed that under his cloak, an embroidered letter "W" on his shirt.

HC addendum.
Source: *'Spring Heeled Jack,'* London, England.
Type: E

Location: Near Rosehill, Sussex, England.
Date: April 10, 1838.
Time: 9-10:00 p.m.

"Spring-heeled Jack" has, it seems, found his way to the Sussex coast. On Friday evening, between 9 and 10 o'clock, he appeared, as we are informed, to a gardener near Rosehill, "in the shape of a bear or some other four-footed animal," and having first attracted attention by a growl, then mounted the garden wall, covered as it was with broken glass, and ran along it upon all-fours, to the great terror and consternation of the gardener, who began to think it time to escape.

He was accordingly about to leave the garden, when Spring-heeled Jack leaped from the wall, and chased him for some time; the dog was called, but slunk away, apparently as much terrified as his master. Having amused himself for some time with the trembling gardener, Spring-heeled Jack scaled the wall, and made his exit. The fellow may probably amuse himself in this way once too often." *Brighton Gazette.*

HC addendum.
Source: *The Times,* April 14, 1838.
Type: A?

Location: Near Montpellier, France.
Date: Summer 1838.
Time: Afternoon.

Sabine Baring-Gould, remembers as a boy; being driven to Montpellier, on a hot summer day, over the long straight road that traverses a pebble and rubble strewn plain on which nothing grows save a few aromatic herbs. He was sitting on the box (he was in a horse-drawn wagon) with his father, when to his great surprise he saw 'legions' of dwarfs of about two feet high running along beside the horses; some sat laughing on the pole, some were scrambling up the harness to get on the back of the horses.

He remarked to his father what he saw, when he abruptly stopped the carriage and put Sabine inside beside his mother, where, the conveyance being closed, he was out of the sun. The effect was that little by little, the host of imps diminished in number till they disappeared altogether.

HC addendum.
Source: Sabine Baring-Gould, *'A Book of Folklore.'*
Type: E
Comments: Baring-Gould mentions also, without giving any specifics, that when his wife was a girl of fifteen, she was walking down a lane in Yorkshire between green hedges when she saw, seated in one of the privet hedges a little green man, perfectly well made, who looked at her with his beady black eyes. He was about a foot or eighteen inches high. She was so frightened she ran home.

Also one day a son of his, a lad of about twelve, was sent into the garden to pick peapods for the cook to shell for dinner. Presently he rushed into the house as white as chalk, to say that whilst he was engaged upon the task imposed upon him he saw standing between the rows of peas a little man wearing a red cap, a green jacket, a brown knee-breeches, whose face was old and wan, and who had; a gray beard and eyes as black and hard as sloes. He stared so intently at the boy that the latter took to his heels.

Location: Henneraw Point, County Donegal, Northern Ireland.
Date: November, 1838.
Time: Unknown.

From the *New York American*:

A prodigious excitement prevails in Ireland, especially in the North, in consequence of an actual living Mermaid, which was recently caught in a salmon net at Henneraw Point, in the county of Donegal. There can be no mistake in this fact, as five or six papers corroborate it in the important points.

It is thus described in the *Fermanagh Journal*:

The Mermaid. This is certainly a sea woman, and has such an expression of intelligence in its countenance, that we are absolutely inclined to believe that it is a creature of reason, rather than of instinct. We do not mean to insinuate that it has any notion of abstract ideas; but the fact is that there is an appearance of confusion about it, that would seem to indicate sentiments of shame, and supplication. It weighs about seventy pounds and is altogether human in its outward organization from head to the navel, when the fins begin to develop itself, and the remainder is formed very like the extremity of a large dolphin. The skin of the face and the breast is a whitish brown; the eyes are black, and the nose purely aquiline; and its eyebrows, lips and chin are models for a sculptor; the hair is long and thick, and the creature's principal amusement seems to be to stroke it downward with her webbed, but otherwise perfect fingers.

It looks to be twelve or fourteen years old, and regards people, occasionally, as if had an inclination to speak; and we are solemnly of opinion that, when in its native element, it makes its wishes known through the medium of its tongue. Altogether, indeed, it is the most singular being we ever witnessed, and excites feelings in the breasts of beholders, at least as much akin to awe as to curiosity. Can it have a soul, and be an accountable creature? At all events, we shall examine it closely this week, and report particulars.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia Exchange list, citing *Western Telegraph* Rossville Ohio, November 22, 1838.
Type: X

Location: Alte Burg, Germany.
Date: 1839.
Time: Unknown.

Folklorist Joseph Snowe tells of a creature "in the shape of a short, thick-set being, neither boy nor man, but akin to the condition of both, garbed in a party-colored loose surcoat, and wearing a high-crowned hat with a broad brim on his diminutive head." The kobold Hodekin (also known as Hudekin and Hutchen) of Hildesheim wore a little hat down over his face. Another type of kobold known as the Hutchen is said to be 0.3-1m (1-3ft) tall, with red hair and beard, and clad in red or green clothing and a red hat and may even be blind.

Yet other tales describe kobolds appearing as herdsmen looking for work and little, wrinkled old men in pointed hoods. Some kobolds resemble small children. Heinzelman, a kobold from the folklore of Hudermuhlen Castle in the region of Luneburg, appeared as beautiful boy with blond, curly hair to his shoulders and dressed in a red silk coat. His voice was "soft and tender like that of a boy or maiden."

HC addendum.
Source: Joseph Snowe, *'The Rhine: Legends, traditions, history from Cologne to Mainz.'*
Type: E?
Comments: The kobold is a sprite stemming from Germanic mythology and surviving into modern times in German folklore. The most common depictions of kobolds show them as humanlike figures the size of small children.

Location: Near Michigan City, Indiana.
Date: Summer 1839.
Time: Various.

Strange as it may appear, it is currently reported and very generally believed that a 'wild child,' or lad, is now running at large among the sand hills around and in the vicinity of Fish Lake. It is reported to be about four feet high, and covered with a light coat of chestnut-colored hair. It runs with great velocity, and when pursued, as has often been the case, it sets up the most frightful and hideous yells, and seems to make efforts at speaking. It has been seen running the summer months running along the lake shore, apparently in search of fish and frogs, and appears to very fond of the water, for it will plunge into Fish Lake and swim with great velocity, all the time whining most piteously.

How this creature has come here, or what its history may be, we leave to conjecture; but may it not be probable that it may have strayed away from some emigrating party, when encamped for the night, and wandered off into the woods, where it has grown up an associate with the animals of the forest? We think this may be the case, If so, what must have been the anguish of his parents and friends on learning that they were compelled to pursue their journey without their tender care? It is also supposed that it may have been stolen by the Indians, and left in the forest to perish; but we can hardly believe such to be the case.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia Exchange list quoting *Adams Sentinel* Gettysburg Pennsylvania, December 30, 1839.
Type: E?

Location: Torrelavega, Cantabria, Spain.
Date: November 8, 1839.
Time: Daytime.

Numerous local residents saw a strange being which at first they confused with a man who was swimming swiftly and ably in the water. However as many approached for a better look at the swimmer they realized that the being lacked any visible arms and was of a dark color, and appeared to be maneuvering in the water by a large fish-like tail. Days later the amphibian being was seen again in the same waters.

HC addendum.
Source: Jesus Calleja *'Gnomos Guia de Seres Magicos de España,'* quoting Francisco de la Vega, *Semanario Pintoresco Español,* January 1840.
Type: E

Location: Near Boston, Massachusetts.
Date: 1840.
Time: Noon.

There is one phase of the "supernatural" which is yet manifested at the present day, growing out of the enthusiasm which not unfrequently attends strong religious excitement. Thus the state of trance or ecstasy, the subject of which sometimes visits in imagination the abodes of blessed spirits, hears ravishing music, and gazes upon 'Ineffable Glory.'

"Sees distant gates of Eden gleam, and does not dream it is a dream."

Is not confined to the Methodist campground, but is sometimes among the phenomena of an awakened religious interest in other sects. The doctrine of the second coming of Jesus, which was zealously preached in almost all sections of New England fifteen or twenty years ago, had a powerful influence over the imaginative faculty in its recipients.

One of our neighbors, a worthy man in many respects, believed that in 1840 he saw the "sign of the Son of Man in the heavens" at noon-day; a glorious human form, with the figure 3 directly beneath it, indicating that the great consummation was to be in three years, or 1843.

No amount of reasoning could remove this singular delusion; and it was not until after the year prophesied for the general destruction had gone by, with considerable of a margin for miscalculation, that our second advent neighbor would allow the possibility of a mistake; and even as it was, he had strong doubts whether in ceasing to look for the "advent near," he was not disobedient unto the holy vision.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *The Boston Investigator*, (Boston, MA) Wednesday, September 14, 1859.
Type: E?

Location: Cheltenham, England.
Date: August 16, 1841.
Time: Midnight-1:00 a.m.

"Between 12 and 1 o'clock on Saturday night, an alarm was given that Eastcourt Mansion at Charlton Kings was on fire, a great light being observed on the roof of the house, and on the trees and hills to some distance. In the course of a few minutes the meteor (?) decreased and presented to the eyes of the spectators the figure of a man with his arms extended. The figure appeared to turn around, dwindled into a beautiful star, and then entirely disappeared."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill Magonia Exchange list, quoting Albany *NY Evening Journal,* 9-16-1841.
Type: A?

Location: Queens Anne County, Maryland.
Date: November 10, 1841.
Time: 9:00 p.m.

Brown's woods, in Queen Anne's county a mile or two above this place, are famed for the many strange sights to be seen there after nightfall, and many are the marvelous stories related in the neighborhood of the "things" which have been seen in those woods. This woods are dense, with many wet, swampy places and the luminous vapor, commonly known as the *ignis fatuus,* is frequently to be seen there, which no doubt gives rise to these stories, which are told and religiously believed, by the ignorant and superstitious of the neighborhood. But what I am now about to relate has no connection with these idle tales, as I am no believer in supernatural appearances.

A remarkable phenomenon was observed on the night of the 10th by myself and one of my neighbors who had stepped over to see me in the afternoon, and who, after supper, I accompanied on his way home, which lay through the woods. It was about 9 o'clock at night. The atmosphere was damp, and somewhat chilling, and the sky was overcast with clouds which threatened rain. A slight mist prevailed at the time and the evening was just light enough to afford us and indistinct view of the objects near us.

We pursued our journey, talking upon various subjects as we went along; when near the woods our conversation was interrupted; and we were compelled to stop in consequence of the gross darkness which suddenly enveloped us. Casting my eyes around me, as I stood motionless, being unable to see the path, I found that the darkness was slowly receding. My companion, who was a few paces in advance of me, in a tone of voice expressive of agitation, called my attention to the cause of the darkness that had momentarily surrounded us.

Looking in a southwest direction (the wind being light at the northeast) I saw what I supposed to be a dense column of vapor, fifteen or twenty feet high, in form like a man of colossal proportions, slowly passing away to the southwest, wafted along, as I supposed by the wind, which set in that direction. We gazed at this remarkable appearance until we could no longer see it, in consequence of the distance it was removed from us, and the intervening darkness which obstructed our vision, and after a few minutes conversation with my friend, upon this extraordinary apparition, or whatever it may be termed, I returned to my home, resolving to make it public through the medium of the press, hoping that scientific men may be able to account satisfactorily for extraordinary a phenomenon.

I have thought as those woods are remarkable for the luminous vapor mentioned in the beginning of this article, that the phenomenon observed on the night of the 10th owes its origin to a somewhat similar cause; but why it should assume the form of a man,

must, I apprehend forever remain a mystery. If you or any of your correspondents can throw any light on this subject you will oblige yours, most respectfully.

HC addendum.
Source: *Maryland Sun*, November 17, 1841.
Type: E?

Location: Stowmarket, England.
Date: 1842.
Time: Night.

A man claimed an encounter with “fairies” when walking through a meadow on his journey home. He encountered about a dozen of them, the biggest about 3ft tall and small ones like dolls. They were moving around hand in hand in a ring, no noise came from them. They seemed light and shadowy, not like solid bodies. He ran home and got three other witnesses but when they got to the location the small entities were gone.

HC addendum.
Source: *‘The Elusive Little People, Part 1.’*
Type: E

Location: Panola, Mississippi.
Date: May 23, 1843.
Time: Night.

The celestial world appears if we may believe the various accounts of phenomena observed in the heavens, to be cutting many strange antics, and performing various vagaries, not to be accounted for by any known principle. A Mr. King of Panola Mississippi, has published a wonderful account of a singular appearance in the moon, to the truth of which he and all his family testify. As this account may interest some of our Millerite friends, we make an extract from it. At first there was a small black spot upon the moon, then that luminary appeared split into pieces, and each piece gave a separate light, and then they united again.

What he had already seen was so remarkable that Mr. King with his family continued the observation, and but a few moments had elapsed before the black spot again appeared, and again the moon divided; this time into four distinct irregular parts or fragments. And immediately a light, resembling the tail of a comet, shot from the lower fragment, at the southeast corner, apparently some three or four feet downwards, while another much larger, from the upper portion or northwest corner, struck off directly upwards, to the length of between five and six feet. This last now went off, and left the corner apparently four feet or more, and turned into the *shape of a man* standing erect.

The figure was of the most perfect imaginable symmetry, of about the medium size and height, clothed in the purest snow-white and the back alone presenting itself into view. It was visible a few moments, when gradually the figure changed to the sample light, the lights retreated to the fragments, these again came together, and the moon resumed a natural appearance.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange list quoting Public Ledger (Philadelphia Pennsylvania) Friday, May 26, 1843.
Type: E?

Location: Near Warwick, Ontario, Canada.
Date: October 3, 1843.
Time: Daytime.

A man was laboring in a field under a slight rain when soon the sky became clear and the witness heard a distant rumbling coming from the west, he did not see anything so he kept working. The rumbling sound became louder and seemed to approach. The witness looked again and saw a strange cloud approaching and underneath the cloud, the saw three men, all three completely white in color.

These men sailed through the air one following the other. The three men passed directly above the witness at treetop level. The men were motionless and seemed to emit "moaning" sounds. The moans sounded like loud "Woe's." The three figures eventually drifted out of sight.

HC addendum.
Source: John Robert Colombo, *'UFOs over Canada.'*
Type: C? Or E

Location: South Petherton, Somerset, England.
Date: 1844.
Time: Night.

A Mr. Edmond Anstey, of that town, nearly 100 years of age, of temperate and good life reported that he used to travel in connection with his business as a shopkeeper at South Petherton one dark night from a well-known west country fair; at Woodbury Hill; he reached a place called "Cuthedge" near Yeovil when his mare rushed violently against a bank, snorting and trembling. The good man heard the hedge crash, and a dismal sound, and saw coming towards him a large circle of light, and in it he perfectly saw a 'huge bear.' The horrid monster looked "gathfully" at him, showing large flaming eyes. He passed, and the horse bolted home.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting James Street *'The one Royal Peculiar in the County of Somerset.'*
Type: E

Location: Ealing, London, England.
Date: 1845.
Time: Various.

Several individual witnesses saw a humanoid with blazing eyes running around and leaping hedges and walls too high for a normal human to do the same. The humanoid wore tight-fitting coveralls or overalls, a cloak and a clear globe over its head. Obviously a madman, very fit and athletic at that, in the area in a bizarre costume. From the description of it the person must have been reading too much Science Fiction. (Shame that Science Fiction as genre did not exist then)

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'Strange and Mysterious Great Britain, Ireland and Europe 1800-1977.'*
Type: E

Location: Near Greenfork, Indiana.
Date: Fall 1845.
Time: Midnight.

Lorenzo D. Fox, a well-known and respected citizen, living half a mile from this place, recalls a marvelous manifestation in the heavens which he witnessed before the war of the rebellion. It is substantiated by four other creditable witnesses.

One evening late in the fall of 1845, Fox with four young companions, set out on a coon hunt near Greenfork. Nearly midnight they sat down on a log to rest. The night suddenly grew darker and the dogs whined at the hunter's feet, as if fearing some foe that was invisible. A streak of flame suddenly leaped from the horizon in the south to the zenith. The flames burned red, green and vermillion, and lasted several seconds, when it was suddenly warped and twisted into many shapes, writing the gigantic figures, "1" "8" "6" and "1" against the sky. They told their story and it spread abroad.

There was a well-defined belief that when 1861, the date marked by the changing figures, should come wonderful things would occur. When 1861 finally arrived all of these young men realized that they were chosen to witness a wonderful manifestation of a prophecy of the greatest war in American history.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange citing *Huntington Weekly Herald* (Huntington Indiana) 17 Jan, 1902.
Type: X

Location: Bermondsey, England.
Date: November, 1845.
Time: Night.



A springing, leaping figure was seen by several witnesses, bounding through Jacob's Island. The figure then grabbed thirteen year old prostitute Mary Davis on the bridge crossing Folly Ditch, spat flame in her face and then threw her into the murky depths where she perished. Her body was recovered and she became the first recorded victim of Spring Heeled Jack.

HC addendum.
Source: Phantoms & Monsters blog.
Type: E

Location: Taum, Knock Ma Hill, County Galway, Ireland.
Date: Circa 1846.
Time: Unknown.

It was said that fairies fought openly above the skies of this hill during the potato famine. The hill is also said to be the burial place of Finnbheara, king of the Connacht fairies.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/ireland
Type: E?

Location: Surrey, England.
Date: 1847.
Time: Night.

A very strange apparition was seen by artist William Holman Hunt and the stationmaster of Ewell East Station. They came face to face with a white ghoul, which they described as a menacing white, creature covered in pale cloth. The being appeared luminous.

HC addendum.
Source: Neil Arnold, *'Monster! – The A – Z of Zooform Phenomena.'* Type: E?

Location: Near Balashov, Saratov region, Russia.
Date: October 12-13, 1847 until October 6, 1848.
Time: Various.

During the night local residents noticed four fiery columns of light in the clear northeastern sky. The columns or beams of light were in close proximity of each other, with blue and white shades. The phenomenon lasted for about 2 hours. After that the area became dark again and the sky again appeared normal.

Soon after this observation, bizarre looking strangers appeared in the Saratov region. These "men" looked aged, like elderly men, with strange yellow-greenish looking faces, and all the men were beardless. These strangers visited several villages but never begged for alms. When the locals attempted to communicate with the strangers these only mumbled in an unrecognizable language which the Russian villagers could not understand.

So the strangers were then considered eccentric or crazy (if indeed extraterrestrials, a perfect disguise which did not attract too much attention). Neither village elders nor district policemen detained the strangers. But as was found out later, the strangers aroused the suspicion of local representatives and authorities. The strangers seemed to move very quickly in between villages, and never stayed one night in any of the villages. But the authorities could never corner or pinpoint the whereabouts of the strangers.

All of the strangers appeared to vanish soon after October 6, 1848 when a report was sent to the Ministry of Internal affairs from the town of Balashov. This report stated that on the above date at around 2100, there was very bright lighting over the area corresponding with the rumble of thunder which lighted the sky. And then at 2200, a blood red colored spot appeared in the center of the sky which was visible for 5 minutes, the spot then took an elongated form, becoming pinkish in color and moving towards the northwest, in half an hour the sky appeared to clear and the red "spot" moved to the west and separated into several dozen cone-shaped columns stretching to the horizon and becoming dark red in color. After that the north was covered with whitish-red stripes which slowly drifted towards the west. The phenomenon vanished around 2300.

HC addendum.
Source: 'Sekretnye Isslendovaniya v Ukraine' (Secret investigations, Ukrainian variant) #6, 2003.
Type: D?

1850-1859

Location: Lacar Lake, Neuquen, Argentina.
Date: 1850.
Time: Unknown.

A mermaid like creature, apparently half amphibian and half human, was seen in the area. The mermaid was reported to be able to levitate over the water, and supposedly lived in an underwater city. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Fabio Picasso, *Strange Magazine* #10.
Type: E

Location: Lake Busjon, Sweden.
Date: Circa 1850.
Time: Late afternoon.

Around the year 1850, a man named Eric Adel, together with his sister, were at a mill on one side of Lake Busjon. It was late afternoon and they were going to row back home when they heard from nearby Hunflen Mountain a strong and peculiar hissing sound.

Suddenly they saw a 'large' green colored woman come hovering a few meters above the water. She followed them at a distance across the entire lake. But suddenly she turned and rose straight up in the air to a height of one hundred meters then she circled over the lake and finally fell in a vertical line with a deafening crash towards and into Hunflen Mountain.

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braenne in Magonia Exchange list, citing L. M. Wideen, *'Mysteries of Varmland: short essays on belief in superstition.'* Type: E

Location: Martindale, Sandwick Rigg, England.
Date: 1850.
Time: Night.

A short yet high strangeness incident. A man was walking the country road at night heading for his home. The moonlight gave him plenty of light to see up ahead a troop of ‘little folk’ engaging in their reveries. The witness referred to them as “Dobbies.” He was not put off by this and kept walking closer. Whether it was due to them spotting his approach or not, the Dobbies began to climb up a ladder and disappeared into the sky.

HC addendum.
Source:http://thebiggeststudy.blogspot.com/2011_11_01_archive.htmlType: E

Location: Lichen, Poland.
Date: May, 1850.
Time: Daytime.

Devout Catholic Mikoaj Sikatka; a local shepherd, was working in a pasture when he saw a beautiful woman. He blessed God and said, *"Mikoaj, tell the people that the punishment for their sins is approaching. The plague will appear in this area; encourage them to do penance and prayer. If they are righteous there will be no punishment. Especially they should pray to the rosary and consider the life of Jesus Christ and his martyrdom."*

Mikoaj was also told that a great war was approaching. She also asked him to fix up the nearby chapel since there will be many visitors soon. But the modest and shy shepherd didn't tell anybody about the encounter. After a few weeks and while praying in the field he saw the woman again. The extraordinary looking woman prayed for humanity's sins, and called for penance and to pray with the rosary.

She then spoke about Polish history and foretold the rebirth of Poland. She reprimanded him for his passivity in revealing her predictions. However he became more confused since he didn't know how. He shared his views with the woman (Mary?) during a prayer in the woods in August 15.

The woods shone with brilliance and he saw Mary for the third time. He had a white eagle on her chest. She repeated the warnings and added, *"I will never leave the people and will save them just like this white eagle."* She told him that her image should be removed from the forest chapel and placed in a more accessible location, since soon pilgrims will be arriving from different locations in Poland. *"A magnificent temple devoted to me will be built there soon."* And she said to Mikoaj, *"Preach about what you have seen and heard"* and as proof she made the old shepherd younger. (!)

HC addendum.
Source: woe_@vp.pl quoting "Nasza Arka" (Our Arc) Catholic Family Magazine.
Comments: The cholera plague took place in 1852 as Mary foretold.
Poland lost its independence in 1795 and regained it in 1918. A white eagle with a crown is the national symbol of Poland.

Location: Dunboe, Londonderry, Ireland.
Date: January 14, 1851.
Time: 6:30 a.m.

A story for the credulous. On Saturday morning, the 14th, we are informed by a correspondent that a very singular and startling atmospheric phenomenon was witnessed by several individuals in the parish of Dunboe. About half past six o'clock a.m. It appears a very unusual brightness was observed above the eastern horizon, in which it was distinctly observed to pass two large vessels of the line. The circumstance having been noticed by the family of a most respectable farmer of the above parish, general attention was drawn to this most wonderful phenomenon.

After a short period the vessels disappeared and the eastern hemispheres became occupied by a grand panorama representation of two armies approaching in warlike conflict. On drawing near to each other there were seen to issue from the opposing ranks two officers, who appeared to engage in single combat and so distinctly visible was the representation that their actual maneuvers could be distinguished. This singular representation continued from half past six to eight o'clock. The parties who witnessed the above phenomenon have expressed their willingness to authenticate it in the most satisfactory manner.

HC addendum.
Source: *Boston Herald* (Massachusetts) Thursday, February 6, 1851.
Type: E?

Location: Greene County, Arkansas.
Date: Late May 1851.
Time: Unknown.

"A gigantic man of the woods has been discovered in Greene County, Arkansas, and a party has been organized to endeavor to catch him. When last seen he was pursuing a herd of cattle, which were flying in a state of great alarm, as if pursued by a dreaded enemy.

On seeing the party who discovered him, he looked at them deliberately for a short time, turned, and ran away with great speed, leaping from twelve to fourteen at a time. His footprints measured thirteen inches each. He was of gigantic structure, the body being covered with hair, and the head with long locks that fairly enveloped his neck and shoulders."

HC addendum.
Source: *The Compiler*, Gettysburg Pennsylvania, June 2, 1851.
Type: E

Location: Hawick, Northumberland, England.
Date: July, 1851.
Time: Morning.

A local and highly respectable and intelligent farmer reported a most remarkable phenomenon. Walking over a hill on his farm early one morning, his attention was arrested by a light cloud of pale mist of remarkable form, being perfectly circular, slowly uprising from the neighboring valley.

The sun was shining brightly around him from the other side and as the cloud gradually floated up still retaining its form, which was very like that of the halo often observed around the moon, he found it present an inner circle much smaller but well defined, and containing, as in a frame a human figure of most colossal proportions.

Instead of standing aghast in the mute amazement of motionless horror, as many would have done, he saluted the specter with a bow, which was returned by the airy phantom with the utmost promptitude and civility. He then walked away for a little and on returning found the shadow still visible, which continued to bow and otherwise imitate every motion he made, thus proving it to be a reflection of his own form in the cloud. (?)

HC addendum.
Source: Th. Paijmans in Magonia Exchange, quoting *News of the World* July 13, 1851.
Type: A?

Location: King's Plains, New South Wales, Australia.
Date: May, 1852.
Time: Night.

"Unaccountable appearance. The lovers of the supernatural may find food for terror in the following extraordinary statement, which we give as nearly as may be in the writer's own words, for what it is worth, at the same time premising that we are personally unacquainted with him:

King's Plains, June 26 1852. Sir, I beg to address this epistle to you for publication, in order that you will be so good as to insert the same in your Free Press. Both I and many others can vouch for the correctness of the statement:

"It is now about seven weeks since a large blazing light first appeared in a paddock in my neighborhood, which now appears every night without intermission; say about half an hour after dark. Its appearance to the naked eye is that of large blazing light, and it continues lightening for a period of five or six minutes at a time. The spot where it appears is about a quarter of a mile distant from my place in a paddock belonging to a Mr. James Flood, and a Mr. Patrick Castello, and a Mr. John Cullen, all living within a quarter of a mile from each other. I have been out on purpose of a night to see the light; sometimes it has appeared as if there had been a dog walking near it, and a figure or shadow in the shape and appearance of a man has also been noticed, but no person has the courage to go up and speak to it."

Considering advisable that the public should know of such an event, so that anyone having an inclination to come as far as Mr. James Flood's residence, can witness the blazing light any night. I remain, sir your obedient servant, D. H. Davidson. To the Editor of the *Bathurst Free Press,* Bathurst."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill Magonia Exchange quoting *Bell's Life* in *Sydney Sporting Reviewer* Australia, Saturday 7, July, 1855. Type: E?

Location: Washington Island, Wisconsin.
Date: Circa 1853.
Time: Evening.

An eight-year old girl named Anna was out in the fields collecting wild berries when she was reportedly accosted by several tiny human-like figures wearing shiny clothing and small funny pointy hats and shoes. They told her they were very hungry and asked for some of the berries. They talked to the girl and allowed her to dance with them they also taught her a new son, that resembled “a haunting melody.”

HC addendum.
Source: W. Files, http://w-files.com/
Type: E

Location: (Undisclosed location) Mississippi.
Date: 1853.
Time: Unknown.

"The Rev. Nathan Smith, a primitive Baptist preacher, is tall and slim, and the first glance would not be taken for any more than an average 'negro,' but the Rev. Nathan Smith is in some respects a very remarkable man. He claims to be fifty two years old, though he does not look it, and enjoys in his declining years the reputation of being an honest, as well as a sensible man. The manner in which he first learned to read, how he was struck with the "spirit" and how he began preaching, seems like a chapter from 'hoodooism' and yet the story is told in the most straightforward manner, in all earnestness, and with an air that defies denial.

At an early age, while plowing as a slave in a Mississippi cotton field, he says he was suddenly felled to the ground by something like a dull thud that changed the whole course of his life. It was the 'spirit' that struck him, he said, and immediately he saw scenes brighter than the sun had ever shown on before; there was all brightness above him and below was an awful gulf.

The trees around in the woods bowed to him as he looked at them, and everything was greatly changed. For several weeks he remained under the spell, and during that time his 'master' thought he had lost his mind. "So I had," said Smith, "so far as temporal things were concerned." Initially he came out from under the spell, and one night he had a dream, or rather a vision. He saw something like a pot boiling over, and out of the steam *came a little man with an open book in his hand.*

Placing it before the dreamer, the little man pointed to the book of John and told him to read. Smith was conscious of the fact that he did not know one letter from another, and in an instant remembered how he had pored over the little black Testament given him by his uncle and which he kept locked up in his trunk. But he couldn't resist, as much as he tried, from looking at the book, and then to his great amazement he read the book of John as readily as anybody could have done. He read the book through to the end and then read other books. They were as easily read as the first. Thus, in a single night, he had learned to read. The little man then vanished as he had appeared, and the balance of the night was spent in finding himself preaching to crowds of people, of walking up and down among the congregation and saving souls.

The next morning when he awoke he went to his trunk, and taking out the little black testament, opened it, and the first words to meet his eyes, was John. He tried to read and found that he could read as well as he did the night before when told to do so by the little man. Then he went to an old Negro on the place that was preaching around and told him he could read the Bible.

The old man told him he did not know a letter of the book. Smith opened his Testament and read aloud. The old Negro was astonished and told him he must be a preacher that he had been ordained to preach. That was thirty-five years ago on last Sunday night, and in that time he has read the Bible, newspapers or anything in the shape of reading and yet was never taught a letter."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *Macon Weekly Telegraph* (Macon Georgia) Tuesday, May 29, 1888.
Comments: The account was transcribed verbatim from the source, thus excuse any offensive grammar.

Location: Green Point, Victoria, Australia.
Date: Early February, 1853.
Time: 2:00 p.m.



"The Flying Dutchman: Sir, Permit me to communicate to you the following account of a very singular phenomenon which was observed at Green Point on Tuesday last, and which would seem to impart some degree of credibility to the popular legend of the "Flying Dutchman."

About 2 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, as I was standing, together with four other persons on the beach at Green Point, near the residence of Mr. Searight, our attention was attracted by the appearance of a large ship, of an ancient shape, with tall massive masts and snow white sails, distinctly looming through a faint mist, about half a mile from the shore. Her decks were crowded with people and so distinct and vivid was the appearance that one of us observing her through a telescope imagined he could recognize among those on board several familiar forms and faces. She appeared to be tossing about much, without making any great progress through the water, and as with a strange mixture of curiosity and dread, we stood looking at the singular apparition, she suddenly vanished, and was seen no more.

Upon subsequent enquiry, we ascertained that three other persons besides ourselves witnessed the strange spectacle, and where similarly struck with its singular appearance and unaccountable evanescence. In the hope of eliciting some explanation of this mysterious phenomenon, which I imagine; not being myself of a superstitious temperament; owes its origin to some property of light hitherto unexplained, although commonly referred to the effect of mirage, I have been induced to communicate to you the above particulars and trust you will not hesitate to give them publicity." –Observer, *Cape Town Mail*.

HC addendum.
Source: *The Argus*, February 9, 1853.
Type: X
Location: Minwear Wood, near Haverfordwest, Wales.

Date: September 9, 1854.
Time: Afternoon.

"*Remarkable Occurrence.* The *Liverpool Mercury* records the following fearful and mysterious occurrence, which happened on Saturday afternoon to a number of persons who were engaged in felling timber at Minwear Wood, situated a few miles from Haverfordwest, on the estate of the Baron de Rutzen. It appears that while so occupied, fifteen women of the party were suddenly struck to the ground by some unseen force, and that with such violence as to be rendered quite unconscious. Most of them have recovered, but four still lie in a very precarious state, little hope of their recovery being entertained. The strange part of the affair is this, that there was no electric fire or report, and all those effected were the women of the party, while the men standing indiscriminately near, were untouched.

One of the women says she fancied that a mist enveloped her in for an instant. It is strange, too that the sufferers are affected with insanity. Whether any noxious gas could have been so rapidly evolved from the ground or trees, or whether it was a current of electricity arising out of the earth, seems a question worth the attention of those interested in electrical phenomena. It is stated by some that a most unusual smell pervaded the whole place."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, citing Carolina Watchman (Salisbury, North Carolina) 14 September, 1854.
Type: X

Location: Waldoboro, Maine.
Date: 1855.
Time: Unknown.

A local man wrote a letter to a publication describing how he chased and captured a "miniature human being" near this town. It was 18 inches in height, with limbs in perfect proportion. With the exception of his face, hands and feet, he was covered with hair of a jet-black hue. The man concluded his letter by inviting any interested parties to come by to view the "strange specimen" for themselves. It is not known what became of the little man.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'America's Nightmare Monsters.'*
Type: H?

Location: (Undisclosed location) Central Russia.
Date: Circa 1855.
Time: Unknown.

The famous Russian writer Ivan Sergeevich Turgenev (1818-1883) was once swimming in a quite forest lake in a remote area of Central Russia when he felt someone's hand touching his shoulder. He turned around and saw a "horrible" female humanoid creature, similar to a monkey, with a huge grimacing face, covered in long red hair. Turgenev was seized by panic and horror and rushed to the shore, but the "monster" chased him. Luckily there was another witness near the shore, a young boy, a shepherd who came running, reacting to Turgenev's screams. Using a lash or whip the boy kept the monster away from Turgenev until he reached safety.

HC addendum.
Source: Alexander Bogatikov, *'Water Man'* in; *Interesnaya Gazeta*, Kiev, #101 D+ bock, June, 2005.
Type: E

Location: (Undisclosed location) Crimea, greater Russia.
Date: March 15, 1855.
Time: Unknown.

"On the ominous date of March 15, 1855, soldiers on both sides of the conflict begged their commanders for a one day truce. While the soldier's pleas were answered a unit of soldiers, in respect for the truce, struck out at midnight to attack.

FRANCO-BRITISH ACCOUNT:

A Russian unit of five soldiers, including two brothers, prepared to attach the enemy base. Nearing the camp the sky blackened, and a strange avian-like creature soared above them. Unbeknownst to the unit they were now heading back to their own camp and were killed to a man by startled sentries.

RUSSIAN ACCOUNT:

The unit is largely the same, except it is composed of Turkish troops as opposed to Russian soldiers and does not mention any brothers. In this version Russian sentries at their base opened fire on fleeing, shrieking Turks only to find that they were attacking a swarm of bat-like creatures pursuing the Turks."

HC addendum.
Source: http://tinwiki.org/wiki/Crimean_War_Monster
Type: E

Location: Near Askeaton, County Limerick, Ireland.
Date: October, 1855.
Time: Unknown.

The reader must decide for himself how much he will believe of the following account of a "Marvelous discovery" related in the *Cork Reporter:*

"We have been informed, but what exact amount of credibility we should give to the statement we are not prepared to say, that in the progress of the formation of the Boynes Railway, some laborers discovered, at a small distance beneath the surface of the earth, within about two miles of Askeaton, a gigantic skeleton 11 feet in length. Beside the remains was found a vessel, with an inscription on it, indicating that something would be found by digging deeper.

Following this intimation, they uncovered another vessel, something resembling a bottle in shape, inscribed with a legend which directed the three drops of its contents should be poured into the mouth of the skeleton, whereupon its owner would come to life again. Although much doubting, they followed the instructions; but on letting the second drop into the mouth, the skeleton began to stir, upon which the men became so frightened that they took flight, expecting as they ran to be pursued by the half-resuscitated giant.

The report of this strange story caused such a sensation in the neighborhood that the police had to close up the grave, and thus the old Fenian giant has been once more consigned to his long slumber of many ages."

HC addendum.
Source: Delaware State Reporter (Dover, DE) October 5, 1855.
Type: X

Location: St. George, Maine.
Date: Middle of October, 1855.
Time: Night.

This has been a great year for strange beasts. The last we hear of was by a highly respectable and intelligent gentleman, who writes to the Thomaston Journal from St. George Maine:

"Last Saturday night I was awakened by the barking of my dog, and on sitting up in bed, heard a noise in the yard like the snoring of a horse. I immediately arose and went to the window; it being a very bright moonlight evening, I saw distinctly an 'animal' of hideous shape looking directly at the window where I stood; his eyes shone like balls of fire. The dog was very much frightened and barked loudly. I procured my gun and discharged it from the window, when the monster made off slowly towards the river. His hind legs seemed to be somewhat shorter than the forward ones: his body was covered, as near as I could judge, with scales of a bright red and green color; his head resembled that of a hog but with a larger mouth. For several weeks sheep and young cattle have disappeared mysteriously, but the mystery is now partly cleared up. The tracks which I found in my barnyard the following morning were very large and resembled those of a web-footed bird. If I see or hear anything further of this monstrous animal I will let you know it."

HC addendum.
Source: *American Traveler*, Boston, Massachusetts, November 1, 1855.
Type: E

Location: Off the coast of Britain.
Date: June 4, 1857.
Time: Unknown.

A Scottish seaman reported spotting a creature, “in the shape of a woman with full breast, dark complexion, and comely face.” No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: *‘The Historical Mermaid.’*
Type: E

Location: Near Neston, England.
Date: July, 1857.
Time: Evening.

On the outskirts of town, a young shepherd named Robert Clancy was tending his flock with his sweetheart, when he noticed a round gleaming vessel sanding on three legs at the side of a field. A golden-haired woman in unusual green clothes stood by the unearthly craft watching Clancy and his girlfriend for a while, then waved and climbed into the vehicle, which afterwards took off into the sky and headed northwards. For months afterwards, no sheep would graze on the spot where the craft had stood.

HC addendum.
Source: Tom Slemen.
Type: B

Location: Ft. Bridger, Utah.
Date: 1858.
Time: Unknown.

During the founding of Ft Bridger by the colonists they reportedly found a “tribe” of small, smelly people, who were called the Northern Paiutes. They only ate corn, which they got from the local Indians and lived, in “holes” in the ground. They left shortly before the main force of “white people” made it to the area.

HC addendum.
Source: *UFO Updates*, Toronto.
Type: E

Location: Lourdes, France.
Date: February 11, 1858.
Time: Midday.

14-year old Bernadette Soubirous was scavenging for animal bones along the banks of a stream just outside the town. Her two young companions decided to cross to the opposite side and Bernadette paused in front of a small grotto in the cliff face to remove her shoes and stockings. She soon noticed a white object in the shape of a woman or girl inside the cave. This vision seems to have sent her into a state of ecstasy, since she proceeded to paddle across the stream without being bothered by the freezing waters.

She described the woman as being dressed in white, a white dress and a blue sash and a yellow rose on each foot the color of the chair of her rosary. At first she thought she was seeing things and found her rosary. She attempted to make the sign of the cross but could not get her hand up to her forehead. The vision made the sign of the cross, and then Bernadette's hand shook. After reading her rosary, the vision suddenly disappeared. Interpreted as a Virgin Mary encounter.

HC addendum.
Source: Mike Dash, *'Borderlands.'*
Type: E or F

Location: Lourdes, France.
Date: April 10, 1858.
Time: Afternoon.

Some women from Lourdes claimed to see the Blessed Virgin while praying at the grotto, and they were the first of many. They climbed up to the back of the grotto and along a small shaft to a hidden cavern. One of these, Claire-Marie Cazenave, aged 22, claimed to have seen something in the shape of a woman, carrying a child, and dressed in white. Two older women alleged that they too saw "something" but they variously described it as a ten-year old or a four-year old girl. Their only source of lighting was candles.

HC addendum.
Source: Theotokos.org
Type: E or F

Location: Lourdes, France.
Date: April 14, 1858.
Time: Afternoon.

Another woman also claimed to have seen “something” in the cavern. A few days later a young girl had to be brought down from the cavern in some distress, claiming to have seen, “the immaculate Conception, carrying a child in her arms, and standing beside her a man with a long beard.” This led to a great deal of confusion.

HC addendum.
Source: Theotokos.org
Type: E or F

Location: Jay, Ohio.
Date: 1858.
Time: Daytime.

Alerted by a sudden shadow over the place where they were standing, several witnesses including Mr. Henry Wallace are said to have looked up in time to see "a large and curiously constructed vessel, not over one hundred yards from Earth." A number of very tall people were seen aboard this craft, which the recorder of the event believes was "a vessel from Venus, Mercury, or the planet Mars, on a visit of pleasure or exploration, or some other cause."

Mr. Wallace reportedly added: "The vessel was evidently worked by wheels and other mechanical appendages, all of which worked with a precision and a degree of beauty never yet attained by any mechanical skill upon this planet. (…)

This was no phantom that disappeared in a twinkling; but this aerial ship was guided, propelled and steered through the atmosphere with the most scientific system and regularity, about six miles an hour, though, doubtless, from the appearance of her machinery, she was capable of going thousands of miles an hour."

Author Jesse Glass rediscovered the book containing this report and claimed he found evidence at the Ohio Historical Society regarding the existence of a man named Henry Wallace in Jay, Ohio at the time.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck, *'Wonders in the Sky'* citing Dr. William Earl, *The Illustrated Silent Friend, embracing subjects never before scientifically discussed* (New York, 1858).
Type: A

Location: Mohan, India.
Date: February 25, 1858.
Time: Unknown.

What was termed as “phantom soldiers” wearing traditional Hindu costumes were seen in the sky above this city by British witnesses.

HC addendum.
Source: T. Peter Park, *The Anomalist* #10.
Type: E

Location: Saint Briae near Dinan, France.
Date: October, 1858.
Time: Various.

Another Miracle! It is recounted that a deaf and dumb lad of 16, a native of Saint-Briae, near Dinan in Brittany, has seen the Virgin, who appeared to him blazing in beauty and surrounded by stars. The celestial visitor opened the conversation by asking his age, to which inquiry he replied, *"I don't know."* She then told him, and proceeded to recount the whole history of his life, and a variety of other circumstances within his knowledge; she concluded by saying.

"Hereafter you shall speak like any other person; meet me again tomorrow night, and I will tell you some wonderful things." The boy came, faithful to the tryst, and the Virgin then pointed out to him three mysterious letters in the tail of the comet, and explained that they symbolize prophesies of events to come. He is not, however, at liberty to make known the things that were told him until the expiration of a year from the date of the vision.

The boy now speaks and hears perfectly well. Such is the story, which, according to the *Union Malouine et Dinnanaise,* the natives of the village of Saint-Briae are ready to prove upon the hide of any skeptic.

HC addendum.
Source: Thursday 14, October 1858, *Western Daily Press*, Bristol, England.
Type: F?

Location: Cumberland, Maryland.
Date: February 19, 1859.
Time: Midnight.

Strange things have been seen lately, and none the more strange than the one we are about to narrate. The facts were furnished us by a gentleman of the highest respectability, who obtained them from the individual himself, to whose waking vision the wonderful apparition appeared. It seems that on the night of the 19th, about midnight, a Mr. Davis of this county was lying in his bed awake, having just awoke.

Whilst lying there he perceived a small yellow flame; emitting only a small light; issuing from the floor, only a few inches from the stove, in the room. Becoming alarmed, he rose from his bed and spoke to the flame, it having by some magic means gradually increased until it assumed the form of a figure of a very old man, but of very small stature, being only about three feet high. When addressed, it moved toward the window and faded into the yellow flame first seen.

He took courage and spoke to it a second time, when immediately it re-assumed the appearance of the old man, but almost simultaneously disappeared, and arose in a flame at the head of his bed. Upon reaching for his axe, he bade the remarkable personage not to come where he was. But it answered, begging him not to strike, and it would show him where the money was.

The door opened and they went out together. After disclosing where the money was, about which it had been speaking, it sprang from the porch, and went to the end, where the steps led off. Mr. Davis drew near where it was standing, and the little figure, taking his hand, bid him not to search for the money until a certain time, after which it suddenly vanished, and has not been seen since. Its hands and fingers were long, also bony and cold. Mr. Davis says his hand has been in a numbed state ever since that little nocturnal visitor shook hands with him. It has often been seen before in the same house. How can it be accounted for? Cumberland (Md.) Telegraph.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *Daily Ohio Statesman* (Columbus Ohio) Sunday March 13, 1859.
Type: E

Location: Sandwich Islands, (Hawaiian Islands) Pacific Ocean.
Date: April, 1859.
Time: Daytime.

A curious phenomenon was observed during the recent volcanic eruption in the Sandwich Islands (name given to the Hawaiian chain by James Cook in the 1770's). A correspondent of a California paper says, 'While standing on a rock with several others, perhaps two hundred feet from the stream, a loud, ringing noise was heard as if the rock had been struck by an immense sledge-hammer.

We started, not knowing but Pele was under and after us, but soon found our alarm groundless, though the noise was probably caused by the liquid lava running under the ground, and suddenly filling up a cave beneath us. A little after a singular scene presented itself; the appearance of a man sitting on a rock and riding along on the top of the fiery lava stream.

So deceptive was this illusion that several of the party, when it was first observed, looked around to see if one of their number had not by accident got on the stream. The life-like image moved slowly along, till suddenly his head tumbled off, and the whole image soon disappeared.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, quoting *New York Times* (1857-1922), April 9, 1859.
Type: E?

Location: Robinsonville, Wisconsin.
Date: October 9, 1859.
Time: Afternoon.

Adele Brise was on her way to the grist mill with a sack of wheat on her head and as she came near the place, she saw a lady in white standing between two trees, one a maple, the other a hemlock. Adele was frightened and stood still. The vision slowly disappeared, leaving a white cloud after it. Adele continued on her errand and returned home without seeing anything more. On the following Sunday, she had to pass on her way to Mass at Bay Settlement, this time she was not alone, but was accompanied by her sister Isabel and a neighbor Mrs. Vander Niessen.

When they came near the trees, the same lady in white was at the place where Adele had seen her before. Adele was again frightened, and said, almost in a tone of reproach, *"Oh, there is that lady again."* The other two did not see anything, but they could tell by Adele's look that she was afraid. Adele then saw the lady disappear as the first time and all she could see was a little mist or white cloud.

After Mass, her two companions and a man who was clearing land for the Holy Cross Fathers at Bay Settlement accompanied Adele. As they approached the "hallowed" spot Adele could see the beautiful lady, clothed in dazzling white, with a yellow sash around her waist. Her dress fell to her knees in graceful folds. She had a crown of stars around her head, and her long, golden wavy hair fell loosely around her shoulders.

Overcome by this heavenly light and the beauty of her amiable visitor, Adele fell to her knees. At this point the mysterious lady told Adele: *"I am the Queen of Heaven, who prays for the conversion of sinners, and I wish you to do the same. You received Holy Communion this morning, and that is well. But you must do more. Make a general confession, and offer Communion for the conversion of sinners. If they do not convert and do penance, my Son will be obliged to punish them."*

Soon the manifestation then lifted her hands, as though beseeching a blessing for those at her feet and slowly vanished, leaving Adele overwhelmed and prostrate on the ground.

HC addendum.
Source: Sister Pauline LaPlant, Robinsonville, Wisconsin.
Type: E or F?

1860-1869

Location: Robe District, South Australia.
Date: 1860's.
Time: Night.

Mr. Ray Bradburn reported that his great grandfather, who while mustering cattle in the Robe District as a young man was camped under the stars with fellow drovers one night, when he and his companions observed a dozen large silvery glowing objects in a cluster descending from high in the sky to the west.

The glowing objects were circular and perhaps 50ft in diameter. They hovered some few hundred feet above the plain on which the cattle were grazing then as the men watched, began slowly dispersing in various, at which point each began emitting strong light beams from the center of their undersides. The cattle stampeded in a panic in all directions while the drovers looked on helplessly.

Then, after a few minutes of mayhem the light beams of each of the craft began fading, the mystery objects gathered together high in the sky, and commenced flying off eastwards at an increasing speed out of sight over the horizon.

The next morning a count showed that at least 30 head of stock were missing. A thorough search around that flat landscape failed to find them, although an Aboriginal stockman afterwards found a number of sets of hoof impressions which came to a dead stop, as if the animals had been plucked from the ground. Had they been taken by the mystery visitors the men wondered.

HC addendum.
Source: *Blue Mountains UFO Research Club Newsletter* March 2009.
Type: X

Location: Near Cregneash, Isle of Man, England.
Date: 1860.
Time: Night.

In a farm near Cregneash on the southern tip of the island a young woman encountered one of the 'glashtin' as she walked home at night through fields. Described as a tall, handsome human with blond hair and blue eyes, he sought to take her away with him. Though powerless to resist, she experienced respite when dawn arrived, when it did, the being seemed suddenly drained of energy. It lay on the ground but still managed to hold the farmer's daughter in his grip. She escaped when she cut herself free, leaving the entity clinging onto a small scrap of her dress.

HC addendum.
Source: Jenny Randles, *IUR* spring 2004.
Type: G
Comments: Fairy abduction attempt?

Location: Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, England.
Date: 1860.
Time: Unknown.

At the Yarmouth South Railway Station (no longer standing) two witnesses described a creature resembling a white ‘hound’ the size of a polar bear that leapt over engines.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/recent
Type: X

Location: Near Sonora, California.
Date: March, 1860.
Time: Night.

"Lyons Ranch near Sonora is 'haunted.' The place was once the property of James Lyons, who assassinated one of the Blakely brothers, some months ago, after having sold the ranch to them. The "shade" is presumed to be the murdered brother, Blakely. The barn seems to be the principal scene of its operations, and a number of miners who slept there have been driven from their lodgings by its remarkable 'pranks.'

According to their story, it appears to them in the shape of a huge man, about sixteen feet high, which arose from amidst the hay piled up in the barn, and tossed the bales around as if they were light as feathers in his grasp. The story goes that this unwelcome visitor, on several occasions, chased the lodgers from the barn, making giant strides after the fugitives. On one occasion, one of the men fired at the ghost, but the ball had no effect."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia Exchange list, quoting 'Progressive Age' Coshocton, Ohio, March 7, 1860.
Type: E?

Location: Bridgeport, West Virginia.
Date: June, 1860.
Time: 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Thomas Rossiter, a printer, residing in Bridgeport, told of a remarkable vision which he had some years ago, and no account of which has ever been published. The particulars of the case are strange and inexplicable. He said;

"What I am going to tell you about happened a number of years ago but it has never been published and it will be an original article. In June 1860, when I was about twelve years old, I was going out of the house on a bright clear day, when a single passing cloud dimmed the sun without entirely hiding it, and I saw to one side of the cloud as it seemed, about ten yards from it, the figure of a man larger than life. The apparent distance of the specter from where I stood was about two miles.

It was nine o'clock in the morning and the sun had reached a good height, and this man seemed to be on a line with the sun. His back, or rather his shoulder, was towards me, so that I could not see his face. He was well dressed; in fact made me think of a man in a wedding suit. He had on a high hat. I have since heard of reflections appearing in the sky, and I would think that this was the reflection of a man standing on some hill where I could not see him, if it were not that the figure had wings like those in the pictures of angels.

They were of chinchilla pattern, and the mixture of the white and black feathers was plainly to be seen. They started at the shoulders, reached upwards to the neck, and downwards to the ankles, and were moving slowly up and down. The man also appeared to be walking. I could not see his feet, his legs fading out at the ankles. I called to my mother to come quickly.

She did not hurry, and it was some moments before she came; but the specter remained, and she saw it as plainly as I did. This proves that there was nothing the matter with me, and that it really appeared. Presently the sun came out from under the cloud, but his light did not dim the vision which remained as distinct as before. It moved slowly away from the sun, and finally was lost behind some clouds."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia list, quoting *Wheeling West Virginia Register*, March 13, 1877.
Type: E

Location: Cwmdwr, Wales.
Date: August, 1862.
Time: 2:00 p.m.

Two men, David Evans and Evan Lewis had stopped their horses for a rest opposite to a farm known as Maestwynog, and were looking in the direction of a hillside not far off, when they noticed several little figures walking up a hill on a winding footpath. As they reached the top of a hill the little men jumped up and made a circle and began dancing in earnest. Suddenly all the little men suddenly scattered in different directions and disappeared from sight.

HC addendum.
Source: Janet Bord, *'Faeries, Real Encounters with the Little People.'*
Type: E

Location: Indian Ocean.
Date: September, 1862.
Time: Unknown.

The Danish brig "Christine" was wrecked on a desert rock or island several miles in size. The survivors, including a Mr. Oleson had gathered at the base of a cliff waiting for the end as the waves dashed and the winds howled on the rocks. Suddenly from high in the air they saw what seemed to be an immense ship, driven, uncontrolled in the elements. It was headed straight toward the frightened mariners, who cried aloud in despair.

But suddenly a whirl of wind changed the course of the object and it crashed against the cliff a few hundred yards from the miserable sailors. Afraid they crept toward the wreck. It appeared to be a vessel as large as a modern battleship, but the machinery was so crushed that they could form no idea as to how the power was applied to the immense wings or sails. Strange implements and articles of furniture could be seen jumbled in an almost shapeless mass. They found in metal boxes covered with strange characters what they afterward discovered to be very wholesome and palatable food, which, with the water in the rocks, saved them from immediate death.

Their horror was intensified when they found the bodies of more than a dozen men dressed in garments of strange fashion and texture. The bodies were dark bronze in color, but the strangest feature of all was the immense size of the men. They were estimated to have been more than 12ft high. They had long hair and beards. They found tools of almost every kind but too large to be used.

One man was driven insane and jumped from the cliff into the boiling waters. The others fled in horror from the fearful sight. But hunger forced them to return to the site. After eating heartily of the strange food, they summoned courage to drag the gigantic bodies to the cliff and tumble them over. The survivors were finally able to build a raft and left the island.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *Fate,* September, 1990.
Type: H?

Location: Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.
Date: July, 1863.
Time: Various.

A strange ‘Spring-heeled’ type being was seen on the battlefield in Gettysburg during the Civil War, ‘flittering’ about the corpses of the slain as if looking for something. It was said to be tall, with glowing green eyes and wore a dark cape.

HC addendum.
Source: B. M. Nunnelly, *‘The Inhumanoids: Real Encounters with Beings that can’t exist.’*
Type: E?

Location: Near Blakesburg, Iowa.
Date: October 23, 1863.
Time: Night.

"We learn, by a gentleman of unquestionable veracity, that great consternation prevails in Adams Township, in this county, occasioned by the nightly visitations of two seeming men, at the residence of Mr. William Spaulding, who lives five miles east of Blakesburg. These visitors, be they who they may, and whether in the flesh or spirits in human shape, make their appearance about seven o'clock in the evening, and remain until about five in the morning, their first appearance being on Friday a week ago.

They seem medium sized, heavy set men dressed in black. On their first appearance on Friday night, the family and some of the neighbors were boiling molasses about forty rods from the house, when about seven o'clock, suddenly, clubs, cobs (they had been shelling corn during the day) and small sticks began to fly in a shower, from a certain direction, but generally falling in one small place.

Once a candlestick held by Mrs. Spaulding was hit, nearly knocking it out of her hand. No person was then visible, but they heard something walking about with a heavy tread. About one o'clock they quit boiling, and two of the men, Harrison Wellman and J. M. Spaulding, started out in the direction from whence the missiles seemed to come, armed with clubs and brickbats, to find and chastise these strange and curious intruders. No sooner had the men started than the missiles came, larger and thicker. The fire of missiles was returned by the men, but without evidence of their hitting anybody.

The party about the kettles returned about this time to the house. After their return, the missiles seemed to strike the fence and the house with great violence. Spaulding and one of the men went out to turn out the horses, taking their guns with them. No sooner were they out of the house then (sic) a large club fell near them, seemingly coming from behind. One of the men wheeled, and saw a man standing near enough to be distinguished in a dark night, at whom he instantly shot. The man ran and disappeared. They turned out the horses and returned to the house.

The next night, and for the four succeeding nights, the same state of things existed, two being seen on Tuesday night. Missiles struck the fence and house, but left no dents and marks distinguishable by daylight. In the meantime, Mr. Spaulding and his neighbors became alarmed by such strange phenomena and from time to time met at Spaulding's house to try and solve the mystery.

On Monday night, J. W. Wellman, William Hayne, William Spaulding and his son, spent the night watching. Sometime in the night one of the men looked out of the window and distinctly saw, by the light of a bright moon, a man standing before the door. After sitting awhile they looked out again, and saw the man prostrate on a plank, lighting a dark lantern with a match.

Getting their revolvers and guns ready, the party prepared to open the door, but strange to say, the four powerful men could not open it. They afterwards remained quietly in the house until 5 o'clock in the morning. One night Mr. E. B. Day took his dog, a very sagacious animal, and tried to set her on, but she trembled, ran between her master's legs, and refused to make any more demonstrations against the "ghosts."

The above are the leading facts as related to us, of the strangest phenomenon. Mr. Spaulding at first attributed the persecution to political enmity, but certain evidence of the absence, in other places, of those he could only suspect, at times when the visitors were seen and engaged in their operations, satisfied him that he must look for some other solution of the mystery.

We give the facts precisely as they are related to us, merely expressing, by way of comment, our decided conviction that no Union men, in or out of the flesh have resorted to that mode of converting Mr. Spaulding and his political friends of the error of their political ways. The story is a strange one, and we await, with considerable anxiety, further development."

HC addendum.

Source: Jerome Clark, IUR summer 2003, quoting *Burlington Weekly Hawk-Eye* October 31, 1863, Iowa.

Type: E?

Location: Panola County, Texas.
Date: July, 1864.
Time: Twilight.

What does it mean? The citizens of Panola County, are intensely excited at the appearance in their midst of a singularly remarkable phenomenon, which has exhibited itself to the curious and the credulous of the vicinity, and which is regarded as a war token; symbolic of good or evil. It is the representation or figure of a man in black, suspended in the air with up-raised hands.

The specter is stationary, the feet and inclination of the body indicate a southern tour. This strange sight was first discovered by a Mr. Reddick, of that county, who is a man remarkable for veracity, and a strict member of the Baptist Church. It presents itself about twilight, and is said to be hanging over or near the residence of a Mrs. Parker, who lives eight miles from Carthage, and who is much concerned about its proximity to her.

Some believe it is the devil looking out for deserters, and others that it is a Yankee emissary of Gold Abe's sent out on aeronautic expedition to explore his broad dominions in the sunny South.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting Houston Telegraph (Houston Texas) Friday, July 22, 1864.
Type: E

Location: Sand Creek, Colorado.
Date: November 29, 1864.
Time: Unknown.

A werewolf-Skinwalker like apparition appeared to several native women and children after a fierce battle in the vicinity. The creature led the frightened witnesses to safety after Colonel John Chivington and his men attacked Chief Black Kettle's camp.

HC addendum.
Source: Neil Arnold, *'Monster! – A – Z of Zooform Phenomena.'*
Type: E

Location: (Undisclosed location) Siberia, Russia.
Date: 1865.
Time: Afternoon.

A shepherd was looking for a lost animal from his herd when he came upon a forest glade. There he saw a giant sphere with supports, and large humanoid looking "monsters." Right next to them laid his lost cow. It was dead, and its stomach was slit open, yet there was no blood anywhere in sight. The "monsters" bent over the animal, and studied something inside it. It appeared to the witness that they were cutting something out. Sometime later they noticed the young man, and gestured to him in a strange fashion. Frightened, he ran away from the area.

HC addendum.
Source: Paul Stonehill, *'The Soviet UFO Files.'*
Type: C

Location: Spring Creek, Missouri.
Date: Early 1865.
Time: Afternoon.

Noted Ozark rifleman and trapper; Blue Sol Collins, came across strange tracks in the snow along Spring Creek. He had trailed many a bear, and these tracks resembled a bear's but this bear must surely be the largest bear in all Missouri. The imprints in the snow were longer and broader than any bear tracks Collins had seen, and along the tracks were queer markings, seemingly made by great claws. Collins was fearless and followed the footprints, determined to trap the greatest bear in the history of the region. Hour after hour he followed the trail. He was tolling up the slope of Twin Mountain when he heard a noise on the hill above him. Looking up, he was just in time to leap to one side as a huge boulder swept past him down into the valley. Another and then another boulder swiftly followed. When Collins had time to look closely and see what was causing the avalanche of rocks he was terrified.

On the steep hillside above him stood a gigantic figure. An enormous man, stark naked except for a breech cloth and a shoulder piece of some animal's skin. The huge body was covered with long hair almost black in color, and as thick as that of any wild animal. On the man's feet were rude moccasins of deerskin tied with thongs of leather. The ends of these thongs had made the claw like marks in the snow.

The terrifying figure was armed with a club six or eight feet long. This he had laid aside in order that he might more readily tear the boulders from the frozen soil. Collins was no coward, but he never denied that after one look at that fearsome figure on the hill he turned and fled.

The Ozarks were a thinly settled region fifty years ago, but several of the scattered families among the hills missed calves, sheep and hogs and after a long search found discarded hides and clean picked bones in remote crannies among the hills. Some of them, too, saw the fearsome figure slipping among the woods.

HC addendum.
Source: Phantoms & Monsters citing *The Washington Times* on July 9, 1915.
Type: E

Location: Cadotte Pass, Missouri.
Date: September, 1865.
Time: Evening.

Rocky Mountain trapper, James Lumley was engaged in trapping in the mountains about 75 five or 100 hundred miles above the great falls of the Upper Missouri when after sunset one evening he beheld a bright, luminous body in the heavens, which was moving with a great rapidity in an easterly direction. It was plainly visible for at least five seconds, when it suddenly separated into particles, resembling the bursting of a skyrocket in the air.

A few minutes later he heard a heavy explosion, which jarred the earth very perceptibly, and this was shortly after followed by a rumbling sound, like a tornado sweeping through the forest. A strong wind sprang up about the same time, but as suddenly subsided. The air was filled with a peculiar odor of a sulfuric character. On the ensuing day he discovered at a distance of about 2 miles from his camping place, that, as far as he could see in either direction, a path had been cut through the forest, several rods wide; giant trees uprooted or broken off near the ground; the tops of hills shaved off, and the earth plowed up in many places. Great and widespread havoc was everywhere visible.

Following up this track of desolation, he soon ascertained the cause of it in the shape of an immense stone that had been driven into the side of a mountain. An examination of the stone, or so much of it as was visible, showed that it had been divided into compartments, and that in various places; it was carved with curious hieroglyphics.

More than this, Lumley also discovered fragments of a substance resembling glass, and here and there dark stains, as though caused by a dark liquid. He was confident that the hieroglyphics were the work of human hands, and that the stone itself, although but a fragment of an immense body, must have been used for some purpose by animated beings.

During that time a bright meteor was visible in the area of Leavenworth and Galena. At Leavenworth it was seen to separate in particles and explode.

HC addendum.
Source: UFO Research Cincinnati, quoting *The Cincinnati Commercial* October 30, 1865.
Type: H?

Location: Bracken County, Kentucky.
Date: February 13, 1866.
Time: Late night.

"On Monday night the owner of a local plantation and his family had retired to rest when suddenly they were aroused by a great outcry from the Negro quarters, which was immediately to the rear of the house. They heard men, women and children screaming in terror, creating a scene of utter pandemonium. His wife and he sprang from their bed. Their room was illuminated as brightly as by a flood of sunlight, though the light was of a bluish cast.

At first they thought that the Negro cabins were being consumed by fire. They rushed to the windows and beheld a sight that fairly curdled the blood in their veins with horror and filled their hearts with outmost terror. Their daughters, shrieking loudly, ran flying into the room, hysterical with fear. They beheld, standing to the right of the upper cabin, near the fence that separated the Negro's garden from the house yard a creature of gigantic stature, and the most horrifying appearance.

It was nearly as high as the cabin and had a monstrous head not similar in shape to that of an ape, with two short white horns above each eye, and it had long arms, covered with shaggy hair of an ashen hue that terminated in huge paws, not unlike those of a cat, and armed with huge and hooked claws. Its breast was as broad as that of a large sized ox, its legs resembled the front legs of a horse, and only the hoofs were cloven. It had a long tail armed with a dart shaped horn, which it was continually switching about. Its eyes glowed like two living coals of fire, while its nostrils and mouth were emitting sheets of blue colored flame, with a hissing sound, like the hissing of a serpent only a thousand fold louder.

Its general color, save the arms, was a dull dingy brown. The air was powerfully impregnated with a smell of burning sulfur. The poor Negroes were evidently laboring under extreme terror, and two of them, an old woman and a lad were actually driven to insanity by their fears and have not recovered their reason up to this writing.

The strange creature then was enveloped in a spiral in a spiral column of flame that reached nearly to the top of the locust trees adjacent, and which hid its horrid form completely from view. The extinction of the flame was instantaneous, and with its disappearance they were relieved of the presence of this remarkable visitor. It was reported that the same or similar creature appeared on several nights at neighboring plantations."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *Anomalistic List*, quoting Nathaniel G. Squires.
Type: E

Location: Near Oak Creek, Wisconsin.
Date: August, 1867.
Time: 11:00 p.m.

The Milwaukee Sentinel tells a strange story about a manbeast, lately discovered in the vicinity of Oak Creek, Wisconsin. For some months the farmers in that neighborhood had been annoyed by the disappearance of their fowls. Doors were opened and roosts were robbed in the most summary and mysterious manner; and sometimes even lambs disappeared.

That these were not stolen by human hands was thought to be evident from the marks around of the fowls being eaten on the spot. One farmer determined to solve the mystery; and so, rifle in hand, he watched his premises.

At about 11 o'clock he discovered an animal of some kind approaching his hen house with stealthy step, sometimes going on all fours, and sometimes erect. He fired, and a piercing shriek, like that of a human being, showed that the creature had been hit. It nevertheless made off to the woods, where it was seen the subsequent day, having the face and hands of a human being and the hairy body of a beast. But though wounded it made its escape, and though subsequently seen again, had not been captured at last accounts.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Magonia Exchange quoting *Portsmouth Journal of Literature and Politics*, August 31, 1867.
Type: E

Location: Near Meadville, Franklin County, Mississippi.
Date: September, 1867.
Time: Various?

"A strange visage creature, apparently one of nature's prodigies, has just been discovered near Meadville, Franklin County, Mississippi, causing much excitement in that usually monotonous village. A letter from a friend residing in that village, dated June 1 says: M. at this time is very much agitated on account of the strange creature seen near here. It is said to be similar to the one seen near Vicksburg last fall.

A Vicksburg paper of a date some few days subsequent to the discovery of this strange creature near that place, gave a full description of it, and the manner in which it was discovered which, given from memory, is in substance about as follows:

"Sometime in September last, as a party of huntsmen were driving in the swamps some few miles from the river, a trail was broken by the hounds and followed up at a brisk pace, leaving the party far behind. In following after the dogs they discovered the track of the game in some miry places which appeared similar to the track of a human foot; and they observed also that the toes of one foot turned backward. On coming up with the dogs who were now baying, they beheld a frightful-looking creature of about the average height of man but with far greater muscular development, standing menacingly a few yards in front of the dogs.

It had long coarse hair flowing from its head, and reaching nearly to its knees; its entire body also seemed to be covered with hair of two or three inches in length, which was of a dark brown color. From its upper jaw projected two very large tusks several inches long. Its head, and face, as well as could be determined from the distance of the observers bore a striking resemblance to that 'of the negro' except that the chin and cheeks were covered with long hair.

On the near approach of the hunter, it fled with great rapidity toward the Mississippi River and was not overtaken again until within a few yards of the bank. When the party came up with the dogs the second time, the monster was standing erect before them, none of them having yet dared to clinch with it. But when the hunting party attempted to approach the strange creature jumped into the waters and quickly swam away disappearing from sight."

HC addendum.
Source: *North Otago Times* (NZ) Vol. XI issue 343, September 4, 1868.
Type: E

Location: Douglas, Isle of Man, England.
Date: Late November, 1867.
Time: 10:00 p.m.

"Strange appearance in the heavens. The *Leeds Mercury* publishes the following account of an unwonted appearance in the heavens, which if true, is strange enough. A remarkable appearance was witnessed on Tuesday night, shortly after ten o'clock, at Douglas, Isle of Man. A portion of the sky opened and emitted a light that illuminated the heavens as bright as the full moon.

In the open space appeared a gigantic figure like that of a man, which waved its arms slowly for a short time. Then the open space closed up, and the heavens were afterwards much darker than they were before this extraordinary phenomenon. The weather became very stormy a few hours subsequently."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange list quoting *Elgin Courier* (Elgin Scotland) Friday 29, November, 1867.
Type: E

Location: Parramatta, New South Wales, Australia.
Date: July 25, 1868.
Time: Daytime.

The following account, based upon a transcript of a manuscript that has never been located, must be taken with great caution. It purports to tell the story of Mr. Frederick William Birmingham, an engineer and local council alderman, who saw what he described as an "Ark" as he was standing under the verandah of his rented cottage in Duck's Lane and looked up to the sky:

While looking at it, I said to myself aloud, "Well that is a beautiful vessel." I had no sooner ended the sentence than I was made aware that I was not alone, for to my right hand and a little to the rear of my frontage a distinct voice said, slowly, "That's a machine to go through the air," in a little time I replied "it appears to me more like a vessel for going upon the water, but, at all events, it's the loveliest thing I ever saw." During this part of the conversation the machine made three courses; the first a level, the second a rapid backward descent, and the third left descent, but with a forward and curved easterly movement.

The machine then quite stopped the forward motion and descended some twenty feet or so as gently as a feather on to the grass (and) showed its bottom partially, its side fully, and a half front section or view, its peculiar shaping's are well impressed upon my mind and the color seemed to blend with faint, flitting shades of steel blue, below and appearing tremulous and like what one might term, magnified scales on a large fish, the latter being as it were flying in the air. The machine has not the shape of anything that has life.

This observation led to a classic contact or abduction scenario:

Shortly after my declaring it was the loveliest thing I ever saw the spirit said to me, "Have you a desire or do you wish to enter upon it?" I replied "Yes." "Then come," said the spirit, thereupon we were lifted off the grass and gently carried through the air and onto the upper part of the machine, which was about 20 yards distant from where we were standing (the spirit appeared like a neutral tint shade and the shape of man in his usual frock dress).

While I stood on the machine the spirit moved to a cylinder pointing and indicating its purposes by downward motion of hand then made sign (that another and similar, was beyond and back of the Pilot house as I term a part of the machine) which former I could not from my position see the spirit then went further to the right two steps or so and while passing on one side going to the rear of the machine the spirit *en passant* and making a sign, pointing, said 'step in' and I partly turned in the direction indicated to me I saw steps (three, I think) steep ones.

I stepped down into the let me call it ‘pilot house’ which had a floor about three and one half feet lower than the first or upper floor it was enclosed at the sides, end and top and only open in front, and nothing was in the pilot house that I could discern but a table with passage all around it, and this table or bench seemed covered all round its sides and top alike a solid or at all events a thing about five feet long or so, and 3 ½ broad and 2 ½ feet high covered like with oil skin or something of that sort, or perhaps iron covered with rubber cloth tightly the side spaces round it were about 2 feet wide and everything appeared very strong, the sides I noticed (when about ‘stepping in’) were extremely thick, about six inches and I wondered why they were so strong in a machine to go through the air.

I was now alone in the machine at the rear end of the tablet or table resting my forefingers and thumbs on its edge looking vacantly with downcast eyes upon the table and repenting like at my saying yes when the spirit previous to my entering upon it had spoken to me I felt miserably queer just like one undertaking a billet or post he knows nothing of, so I remained for some considerable time, when I was aroused as it were form my reverie by the voice of the spirit on my right hand (and his hand resting upon the table within it) who said ‘here are some papers for your guidance.

Associated with this sighting, and with the papers that contained formulas to make a flying machine, the witness later experienced paranormal phenomena. Prior to the observation of the “Ark” itself he had a vision of faces in the sky. Sometime later he experienced poltergeist phenomena when the latch of a gate kept raising itself in full view without visible cause. In April, 1872, he observed three clouds of very peculiar shape, which flew away quickly. He took this observation to be another divine instruction, the meaning of which he could not decipher.

HC addendum.
Source: Mark Moravec, Psiufo Phenomena.
Type: G?

Location: Nice, Alpes Maritime, France.
Date: August, 1868.
Time: Unknown.

An unspecified number of witnesses watched an enormous sphere of flames land on top of a hill. Two very small occupants, about 1.20m, wearing with greenish luminous clothing exit the sphere and disappear into the woods. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Yves Naud, *'UFOs and Extraterrestrials'* Famot, 1977.
Type: B

Location: Willow Creek, Bracken County, Kentucky.
Date: October 10, 1868.
Time: Night.

A wonderful phenomenon has recently made its appearance in this locale about two miles from Brooksville and has been seen by quite a number of the worthy citizens of the county. On the above date one of our citizens, a prominent tobacco merchant, residing in Brooksville was returning home from the southern portion of the county where he had been buying some crops of tobacco and belated was riding along the road when suddenly he beheld a most frightful object in the middle of the road, immediately in front of him. The "object" was about six feet in height and walked upright.

The face was at times that of a man, very pale, with curls of flame falling over his shoulders, eyes of sulfurous blue, changing constantly in size, one moment large as a tin cup, and then gradually decreasing in size until it was almost invisible. Its arms were those of a man, and hands deadly pale. In one hand, it held a torch, and in the other a sword that seemed to be about four feet in length. Its lower extremity was that of a horse, with legs well proportioned, and hoofs as those of a horse. Its tail, which was about three feet in length, was of flame. Its breath was a solid sheet of fire, which vibrated with the heaving of its breast, like the pendulum of a clock.

It was certainly the most frightful thing the witness ever beheld. It walked off to the side of the road, and then vanished. When it disappeared the witness immediately put spurs to his horse and galloped by the spot where he had seen it. When he arrived at the summit of the hill, about 200 yards off, he looked back and saw the creature in the same spot where he had first beheld it.

He stopped his horse and watched for a moment, it walked over to the left side of the road and mounted a rail fence that stood there, and commenced running toward the witness. The witness did not stay to see remainder of the drama. He immediately rode to town, and having told the adventure to some of the citizens, they immediately formed a party and started out to see the strange visitant.

When they arrived at the spot, some of them beheld the specter and the others could not see it. It was when they saw it on the fence, and running rapidly along up and down it passed the crowd for the distance of a quarter of a mile. About 2300 it vanished and was seen no more that night. Since then it has been on hand every night, and the excitement is at a very high state now and is increasing.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Anomalistic List, quoting *Atlanta Daily Constitution* November 4, 1868.
Type: E

Location: Near Independent Hill, Virginia.
Date: December, 1868.
Time: Night.

A man named Silas Brown who lived at the edge of a wooded area, reported that for the last few weeks he has had visions or encountered an alarming character in the nearby forest but more particularly in the copse adjacent to Mr. Brown's barn and stable. At numbers of times has an immense figure been seen passing to and fro near the barn, with large horns and terrible claws, which it contracts to a sort of hoof, and has assaulted Mr. Brown, when he attempted after dark to feed his horses and stock, in such a manner and with such violence that he has been compelled to flee to his house for safety.

The figure, to the best of Mr. Brown's recollection seemed about three times as large as a man in its front, and having a back converging from its neck and shoulders horizontally to the distance of some six to eight feet, and supplied on each side with huge and tremendous arms. It is of a pale bluish color when first seen, but upon being irritated by the near approach of any person becomes a deadly white, and issues from its surface a small volume of smoke, accompanied with a sickening smell. This ghoul or unnatural and horrible animal or demon, has been see as often as four times near Mr. Brown's stable, and when seen, it has lingered till its deadly effluvia has completely impregnated the surrounding atmosphere.

One evening Mr. Brown, desiring to have another beside himself see this terrible visitant, induced a courageous gentleman called Siger, who happened with his wife to spend the evening at Mr. Brown's to go to the stable to feed his horses. Siger, not believing the story, went without hesitation, when, upon entering the stable, he was alarmed by the fall at or near his feet, with a deep rumbling sound, of a tremendous stone. Siger without looking to see whence the rock came, picked the stone up, and it was so hot that he was compelled to drop it.

Upon looking up he beheld the unearthly monster not over fifty yards from him, and the air became quickly filled and inoculated with brimstone. Not wishing to be thought a coward, he did not mention anything of this at the house, but upon walking home with his wife the same night he told her of what happened at the stable, and instantly she became alarmed, and was carried home in a state of apparent insensibility.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *Anomalistic List*, quoting *Petersburg Daily Index*
December 18, 1868.
Type: E

Location: Napoleon, Arkansas.
Date: 1868-1869.
Time: Various.

"Napoleon Arkansas was a small but energetic town, running back from the Mississippi River in an irregular manner from a half to three-fourths of a mile. Among the many sensations the town had during those years was a real ghost that would materialize.

Mr. A. A. Edington, the then sheriff of the county, started to his farm in the country, three miles distant one dark night, when as he said, just as he was entering the woods a mile below town, he saw in the public road a ball of fire, as big as a barrel, slowly rolling down the road toward where there were several graves of federal and rebel soldiers (the result of a guerilla fight), and suddenly sink into the ground.

Just as the ball disappeared, the figure of a naked man crossed the road and went into the bushes. Mr. Edington was not a timid man, but he had witnessed enough to return to town and repeated to the wondering crowd what he had seen. He had passed over the same road almost daily for ten years previous and had never seen anything out of the way before. No one could doubt his veracity. Then all manner of 'rumor' about killing for money and hanging during the war were indulged in. The place where the ghost was seen was just at the edge of the woods on the banks of the river.

On the river side were the graves of eight or ten federal soldiers. On the opposite side of the road were the graves of some bushwhackers and war campers who were traveling west out of war's way. Just at the turning point of the road and on the roadside, was a large iron wash kettle, half buried, with mouth down marking the location of some campers during the war.

The vision of the ball of fire was often seen by others and Mr. R. Deadman now of our county, reported having seen a man dressed in white kneeling beside one of the graves. Mr. Edington never sent that road alone at night afterwards. Several whites and Negroes testified to seeing the fire and some saw the figure of a man. The singular part was the figure or the fire only presented itself to a single person, never to two at one time.

The story of the ghost and the fire became confirmed by the number of reliable persons who saw it. Someone passing that road one day discovered the old kettle turned up on its legs. Upon examination of the ground where it had lain, there were found marks of gold and silver coin pieces imprinted in the earth, also pieces of household silver and jewelry. This was another surprise. Who buried there treasure and when and who took them away after they had lain for years under the old iron kettle was a mystery that never was solved. Yet another.

The river that once peacefully glided along the town front commenced to rapidly eat the banks away. Houses and lots, acre after acre was swept away. The mighty river swallowed up the once busy town, until not one inch of earth that formed the town was left. Still it kept busily eating down into the woods until it came to within probably fifty feet of the grave just spoken of. There it ceased and there it remains today for any one curious enough to visit. What these sights were or what they meant cannot be told, but there are living witnesses to vouch for the ghost story of the old town of Napoleon."

HC addendum.
Source: *The Atlanta Georgia Constitution* (1881-1945) September 14, 1885.
Type: E?

Location: (Undisclosed location) Bahamas Island.
Date: 1869.
Time: Unknown.

Six men rowing a canoe into a bay noticed in the shallow area, a beautiful "mermaid" type creature with bluish hair that floated on her shoulders and hands. Upon seeing the men, the mermaid emitted some eerie howls and disappeared into the depths of the ocean before the men could approach her location.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.grupoelron.org/temasextraterrestres/sirenas.htm
Comments: Translated by Albert S. Rosales.
Type: E

Location: Dundee, Fife, Scotland.
Date: May, 1869.
Time: Night.

In the location containing Murraygate, High Street, Reform Street and Howff, Hilltown, police officers were said to have encountered a floating entity in this area, described as having an awful face. A witness watched it vanish in a blue flash at Howff cemetery.

HC addendum.
Source: http://paranormaldatabase.com/recent/index.php
Type: E?

Location: Ellington, Connecticut.
Date: May 30, 1869.
Time: Midnight.

"A correspondent of the *Tolland County Journal,* writing from Ellington, given an account of a phenomenon of a remarkable character which occurred in that village on the night of the 30th last. It occurred about midnight, just after the passage of the brilliant aerolite (of which we gave a description at the time) across the heavens, and was preceded by some unusual sounds, which were first heard near the center of the village.

These sounds were prolonged for a considerable time at the locality named, and were accompanied by 'force manifestations' of a mysterious and remarkable character, witnessed by only a few individuals, most of the villagers being in bed at the time. A business wagon belonging to Mr. Dwindell, the village merchant, was removed into the center of the street by some invisible force and turned completely topsy-turvy. It would have required the united strength of three or four men to have upset the wagon.

The mysterious force then moved in the direction of Deacon Smith's house and hurled one of his gates across the street, while another was carried along in a south westerly direction and dropped in front of his brother's store, some rods from its former position. The gates must have been suspended in the air during their motion, as no marks were left to show that they were dragged along. Its power was next experienced on a farm wagon standing in Mr. Partridge's yard, which it completely upset or inverted, as in the former case.

It next inverted a joiner's bench standing in front of Dr. Kellogg's horse barn. From this point, in moving west, its force seeming to widen and extend to both sides of the road, upsetting a wagon of Mr. Halls, throwing open his stable door and letting his horse loose, ringing his door bell, as also one on the opposite side of the street, at a horse occupied by the Rev. Mr. Woodworth.

Unusual sounds were heard at this point, very similar to those heard near the park. The next manifestation was at or near a building occupied as a wagon shop by a Mr. King but no damage was done here, and there was no special manifestation of force, but still the mysterious sounds were heard. The 'force' and sounds still continued to more in a westerly direction toward the High School building, but seems to have expended itself before reaching that point, as there was no manifestations worthy of remark except the ringing of door bells.

Some persons who were witnesses of the phenomena are confident they saw four impalpable forms of men passing and re-passing, silently as if walking in the air, in the direction of the sounds at different points.

Others claim that a dog, rather small in size accompanied these forms. The *Journal* correspondent, however, places little credence in these reports, as he is not a strong

believer in ghosts, but thinks that in their excited state of mind they might have supposed they saw these forms.

The question now arises; What was this force and whence these sounds? The writer from whom we quote, thinks it reasonable to suppose that it was a manifestation of spirits in a new form, but leaves the subject, hoping that someone better versed in spiritual manifestations will venture an explanation."

HC addendum.
Source: *Hartford Daily Courant* Connecticut, May 31, 1869.
Type: E?

Location: Assen, Norway.
Date: Summer 1869.
Time: Unknown.

A man named Just encountered a small man, that wore brown clothing, without any buttons, and on its head he had a large hat. The small man claimed he was an angel and opened up his coat and a bright light shone from inside of it. Apparently the small man gave the witness a letter of "heavenly" origin.

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braene.
Type: E

Location: Young, New South Wales, Australia.
Date: June, 1869.
Time: Night.

Three men working on splitting posts and rails for fencing were startled to see a small white object of no particular form, on the ground nearby. The object suddenly grew into a white eight-foot tall humanoid figure. One of the men struck it with a stick and it sounded hollow. The figure then chased the men. The men encountered this same figure on another occasion and also saw a strange animal resembling a dog with a chain attached to it.

HC addendum.
Source: Mark Moravec, Psiufo Phenomena.
Type: E

Location: West End, Boston, Massachusetts.
Date: Late October, 1869.
Time: 4:00 a.m.

"On Friday morning last, at about four o'clock, a lady resident of the West End of the city, having occasion to ascend the roof of her dwelling, beheld a brilliant reflection of a light of many colors, like the rainbow, on the white linen hanging on her lines, and raising her darkened eyes in bewilderment to the sky, was obliged to cover them with her hands, on account of the dazzling effulgence and splendor which met her view and transfixed, as with a dart, her very soul.

Quivering with astonishment and fear, she hastened downstairs and alarmed the inmates of the house, who eager to behold what she had failed to portray in words, were astounded at seeing in the firmament the blazing form of a man as resplendent as the sun in its meridian glory. Round about him the forms of gorgeously attired infants of angelic beauty hovered, and beneath were seen the profiles of two women in a kneeling posture.

One man, a Mr. Wiggin, also a resident of the West End, and a very trustworthy gentlemen, possessing more *esprit present* than others, burnt a piece of glass through which were perceivable these words: 'Come, now is the accepted time; come now!' These were in very large green letters, which he says he plainly saw. There were other words, but our informant could not decipher them.

"In the last days there shall be signs in the heavens." Surely, the end must be approaching, when justice shall no longer be tempered, with mercy, but with the wrath of the Great Judge of all Judges

"Who shall not fall nor be discouraged
Till he hath set judgment in the Earth."

We have made inquiries concerning the parties alluded to above and find that they are not spiritualists or second Adventists and are not given to nightmare. They are worthy Methodist people. Had only one person seen the sight it might not have been considered remarkable; but several saw the forms distinctly, and the sight made an impression on their minds. We leave it for the meteorologists to determine what the phenomenon was."

HC addendum.
Source: *Cincinnati Daily Enquirer*, October 31, 1869.
Type: E or F?

1870-1879

Location: Pyramid Island, Nevada.
Date: 1870.
Time: Various.

"The Indians had superstitious ideas about Pyramid Island. They say that their great grandfathers and grandmothers told them about seeing small "Indians" that would appear to them at night. Their description of them was a large head and body and short legs, small feet. They believe this but none of them have ever seen it…"

Extract from a letter written in January 16, 1870 by Agent Le Bass from the Pyramid Lake reservation area to the Acting Commissioner of the Office of Indian affairs.

The fragment of a legend recorded thus in the book ought to be researched further and added to the other early accounts of "little men." The large head and short legs sounds like the occupant reports of recent date.

HC addendum.
Source: *'The Desert Lake, the Story of Nevada's Pyramid Lake,'* by Sessions S. Wheeler, 1968.
Type: E

Location: Alen, Norway.
Date: Spring 1870.
Time: Unknown.

An elderly woman saw some type of flying object, cruising low over the area. A figure on the object beckoned at the witness. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braene.
Type: A

Location: Frederick, Maryland.
Date: 1870.
Time: Unknown.

The "Jabowok," a tall animal with a horrible face, was seen on McMurray Street. A dog was shot and killed in the ensuing hysteria.

HC addendum.
Source: Mark Chorvinsky and Mark Opsasnick *'A Field Guide to the Monsters and Mystery Animals of Maryland,' Strange* magazine.

Location: Togonal de las Chozas, Spain.
Date: 1870.
Time: Night.

Local peasants reported encountering a bizarre creature in a field. They described the creature as resembling a child in stature, and wearing a white tight-fitting tunic, that he seemed to be struggling with in an apparent attempt to remove it. (?) The bizarre creature emitted loud moaning and crying sounds as if in agony. Terrified the group ran back to the village and did not see the strange creature depart.

HC addendum.
Source: Iker Jimenez, *Paraiso Maldito* (Cursed Paradise).
Type: E
Comments: Attributed to a local legend of a child-like creature called an “anima” or an elemental.

Location: Near Silver City, Idaho.
Date: February, 1870.
Time: Unknown.

Hunters shot and killed a carnivorous animal of unknown species near Silver City. The creature, nicknamed “the man-eater” (wonder why?), weighed an estimated 100 pounds. It had short legs, short ears, large feet and a bushy tail 10 inches long. At least that’s what it says in the *Silver City Avalanche* for March 12, 1870.

HC addendum.
Source: Letter from Joseph Trainer in *Fate* magazine, September, 1979.
Type: H
Comments: It doesn’t say whatever became of the body of the ‘animal.’ By its brief description is hard to say what it could have been.

Location: New York City, New York.
Date: June, 1870.
Time: 9:30 p.m.

A miraculous disappearance. *The New York* papers are exercised over the mysterious disappearance of a man, who was first noticed at about half past nine o'clock Monday evening at the corner of Twenty seventh street and Eighth Avenue rapidly divesting himself of his clothing. We are told that with a rapidity that seemed the work of magic, he tore off his coat, pantaloons, vest and hat and flinging these upon the sidewalk, suddenly disappeared. The street was crowded, but no one had noticed which way he went, and it really seemed as if a human being had been dissolved into nothingness, leaving nothing but his clothes to prove that he ever existed.

Even the policemen, proverbially late on all such occasions, could make nothing of the affair and after diligently searching the sewers and some excavations for buildings in the neighborhood without result contented themselves by carrying the abandoned clothes to the station house.

HC addendum.
Source: Richard Spiers in Magonia Exchange quoting *The Providence Morning Herald*, June 3, 1870.
Type: X?

Location: Deep Creek, Elko County, Nevada.
Date: July, 1870.
Time: Various.

"The people inhabiting the northwestern part of Nevada are at present in an intense state of excitement over the supposed discovery of the traces and habitation of a lost or wild man. Rumor had located it upon a high and densely wooded mountain, and after gathering all the information that we could. We armed and equipped ourselves for a trip to the location described, about fifty miles from our camp, at the sink of Deep Creek.

After a tiresome ride of two days over the mountain. All were now upon the qui vive for some sign of the strange inhabitant. We had just picketed our animals, and sat by the fire telling strange experiences of the pioneer life, when we were aroused by a crashing sound, caused by the swift approach of some strange looking body coming toward the camp. Just at this moment, the moon shone through the clouds almost as brilliant as the sun at noon-day.

We had a splendid view of the object. It is undoubtedly a white man, about forty years old, nearly covered by a coat of fine long hair, and in appearance otherwise not at all startling. He carried in his right hand a huge club, and in his left a rabbit or some other small animal. He caught sight of us almost instantaneously, as the moon shone out, and with a scream like the roar of a line, brandishing his club, dashed past the camp and attacked the horses in a perfect frenzy of madness.

We at this time could have shot him but for the surprise of the moment; and ere we were armed, our animals stampeded and he was after them like the wind, down the mountain. We endeavored in vain to send our dogs after him, which, being savage and well trained, we had counted upon to assist in the capture; but with distended eyes they sat mutely gazing into the darkness, and neither blows nor kindness could move them to the chase, and the only recourse we had was to throw up a hasty rampart of logs and then station guards to prevent a surprise by the infuriated demon.

Occasionally, through the long watches of the night, all hands were aroused by his terrible cries; and thus, in momentary expectation of an attack, we passed the night. Morning dawned at last, and not one would leave the camp until the rosy sunlight cheered the landscape, which we took the trail of our horses, after having securely hidden our accoutrements and provisions, excepting a lunch for a few days journey. They had torn down the mountain at a terrific speed for about five miles; here they jumped down a sheer precipice about twenty five feet, disabling my saddle horse. He was lying near the bottom, mangled in a shocking manner.

The wild man had evidently vented his rage upon my disabled horse, as large strips of skin were torn off and thrown to some distance, and his lower jaw was broken. We shot him to end his sufferings. The wild man had here given up the pursuit. About two

miles further down the valley we found the rest of our stock quietly grazing. The only marks they bore were evidently made by being caught by the tails by the wild man in the chase, entirely stripping some of them of their hair and skin.

We now had some six miles to go to reach our first camp. Arrived there at 3 o'clock, when we took lunch. After examining our arms, we started in the direction from which the wild man approached and was fortunate enough to strike his trail, with the well-defined footprints of a man who would wear No. 9 shoes, but being broad on the bottom. We followed his trail for about three minutes, when the gorges opened in a beautiful basin, and a half mile further the trail ended abruptly at the entrance of a cave.

We explored this cave, finding a set of soldier's buttons and a dime dated 1841, which leads me to the conclusion that he is a man lost from Fremont's command in 1846 or near that time."

HC addendum.
Source: *The Public Ledger*, Memphis, Tennessee, July 26, 1870.
Type: X

Location: Pontmain, France.
Date: January 17, 1871.
Time: Evening.

During the Franco-Prussian War as German troops close in on Pontmain the glowing figure of a woman wearing a dark blue dress holding a crucifix in her hands appeared. Below the apparition appeared the words, *"Pray please, God will hear you soon. My son lets Himself be touched."* This was interpreted as the apparition of the Virgin Mary. That same night the German high command called the army back.

HC addendum.
Source: Catholic Apparitions of Mary.
Type: E or F?

Location: Gatesville, Texas.
Date: August, 1871.
Time: Various.

Gatesville Texas is excited over the appearance of an immense “orangutan” in its vicinity. The animal is described as being about seven feet high and covered from head to foot with a thick coating of hair. Its eyes shine like fire and it boasts of a double row of murderous looking teeth. When last seen it had in one hand a large crooked stick, and under the other arm a young calf apparently just killed. A hunting party has been organized to capture or kill the monster.

HC addendum.
Source: *Michigan Argus*, Friday, September 1, 1871.
Type: E

Location: Peckham, England.
Date: November 10, 1872.
Time: Evening.

After responding to a knock at their front door, three women were confronted by a tall figure standing outside the house. The figure was described as white in color and it had outstretched arms and moved away using great leaps.

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Rogerson, Mufob Vol. 5 #5.
Type: E

Location: Near Hallsville, Missouri.
Date: December, 1872.
Time: Various.

"For some weeks past, the people living near the lowlands, or creek bottoms, five miles southwest of Hallsville, in this county, have been seriously alarmed and nearly startled out of their wits, by the sudden and mysterious appearance in the neighborhood at various times, of a strange, ferocious looking creature, resembling a gorilla, which it seems, has its haunt in the deep thickets, and under the shelving rock and caverns that line the creek in that vicinity. What it is or where it came from, no one knows.

That it is there, a living reality, many a frightened farmer can attest from the scare it gave him. It appears to be over five feet high, has short crooked legs, a long body and long arms with ugly looking talon like fingers, a short, thick neck, large savage looking head, in which gleams a pair of blood-shot eyes, while its mouth extends from ear to ear, and is filled with long fanged teeth, which it displays when disturbed. Its body is covered with a heavy coat of brownish hair, and its general aspect is absolutely terrible and ferocious, making the stoutest heart quail before it.

Thus far, no one has suffered personal injury from it, other than a severe fright, as it never seeks to make a direct attack on human beings, but rather seems to delight in suddenly rushing forth from its lair, and with appalling roars and fearful gesticulations chasing all who venture near its haunts. Poultry, shoats, etc., have been missed by the farmers, and it is thought this creature has something to do with their disappearance.

The range of this wild being is near the farms of W. Winn and Othe Barnes, and in that neighborhood. One person gravely informed us that it was the devil, as he had tried in vain to shoot it, and that dogs cannot be induced to go near its haunts. We gathered the above facts from reliable parties, while in the neighborhood last week."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Magonia Exchange quoting *San Francisco Bulletin* January 28, 1873, from the *Centralia Missouri Guard*.
Type: E

Location: Burgenland, Germany.
Date: 1873.
Time: Various.

A woman had stayed alone at home one night as her husband went to the market; she locked all the doors and lay in bed. Around midnight she was suddenly awakened and saw a large silhouette in the kitchen. Thinking that her husband had forgotten something and had returned early, she called out his name. As she received no reply, she jumped out of bed and lit the lamp at the same time, the figure was gone, and all the doors were still locked.

On another night she was in the kitchen alone around 2300 when the lamp was suddenly extinguished. Not knowing what had happened she rushed out into the courtyard and saw a large figure standing by a pile of wood. Startled she went back into the house and locked all the doors.

One afternoon she heard the chickens screaming and scattering around the courtyard. Then she noticed looking out the kitchen window a small female figure with a white band around her neck rise out of a nearby hay pile. The strange figure walked around the courtyard for a few moments and then disappeared into the garden next door.

HC addendum.
Source: Leander Petzoldt, *'Legends of Burgenland,'* Munich, 1994.
Type: E

Location: Taylorsville, Ohio.
Date: March 30, 1873.
Time: Evening.

"A most extraordinary phenomenon was observed near the village of Taylorsville, a few miles from this city (Zanesville), about a week ago. Mr. Thomas Inman, whom your reporter can vouch for as a respectable farmer of unquestionable truth and veracity, related the circumstances to the writer, and, with his son, who was also an eye witness, is willing to make oath to the truth of this statement.

One evening about two weeks ago, while Mr. Inman and his son, a young man were returning to their home from Taylorsville, they saw a light, which they describe as looking like a "burning brush pile," near the zenith, descending rapidly towards the earth, with a loud roaring noise. It struck the ground in the road, a short distance from them. The blazing object flickered and flared for a few moments and then faded into darkness, as a man dressed in a complete suit of black and carrying a lantern emerged from it.

The man walked a few paces and stepped into a "buggy" which had not been observed before, by either Mr. Inman or his son. There was no horse attached to this super-natural vehicle, but no sooner had the man taken his seat than it started to run, noiselessly but with great velocity along the highway and this it continued to do until it reached a deep gully into which it plunged when buggy, man and lantern suddenly disappeared as mysteriously as they came."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange list quoting W. A. Taylor of the *Zanesville Ohio Herald*, April 5, 1873.

Location: Ripley, Ohio.
Date: October 29, 1874.
Time: 22:00-midnight.

"Yesterday (October 29) evening between 10 and 12 o'clock, there appeared suspended between heaven and the Earth, almost a facsimile of one of Raphael's Angels. Thought not of the full stature of a well-developed human being, yet it was most perfectly formed, and as white as alabaster. The wings were outspread, with arms extended imploringly, and its evolutions were as rapid and beautiful as a bird, as it circled in mid-air.

Over one hundred and fifty of our best citizens, ladies and gentlemen, were witnesses of the singular spectacle and gazed with admiration and awe. The testimony of all those who were fortunate to behold it is that there was indisputable evidence that it was not a female although the form was as delicately molded and the limbs as perfectly rounded as the most perfect Eve that ever came from under the chisel of an artist. Probably it can be explained by some of the scientists."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, quoting *Cleveland* Ohio *Plains Dealer*, November 2, 1874.
Type: E

Location: Jameston, Russell County, Kentucky.
Date: November, 1874.
Time: Daytime.

"A few days ago Mr. and Mrs. Pierce who live in the Long Bottom, discovered something in the cloudless sky that very much resembled a man. They immediately went to their own or a neighbor's house, and told what they had seen. Pretty soon others went forth to make observations, but instead of seeing the man that had been recognized by the others, they plainly discovered two women emerging from the sky, one from the left, and the other from the right of the sun.

They gradually came together just under the center of the sun until they were in the embrace of each other, at which moment a large eagle came forth and sailed around the women for 15 minutes, and at length rested on their heads, and remained there for some time. The same evening, a Mr. Davis, who lives two miles from the Pierces, saw the same sights at the same time of day. Mr. Davis and the Pierces are reliable gentlemen however strange their discovery may appear."

HC addendum.
Source: *Marlborough Express* (NZ) Vol. IX, November 18, 1874.
Comments: Early reports of flying humanoids?
Type: E?

Location: Near Sparta, Greece.
Date: 1875.
Time: Unknown.

Two men hunting in an isolated area heard a sound like “a baby screaming.” Then they saw a dwarf-like creature, about 2ft tall with long hair and sharp teeth. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Nikolaos Politis, *‘Traditions.’*
Type: E

Location: Brownsville, Missouri.
Date: Early May, 1875.
Time: 11:30 p.m.

Wednesday last was a mild and summer-like day, and old weather prognosticators predicted the coming of good rain. But it is not of the rain we propose to speak, but of the sights that were seen on that night by a number of our citizens. About half past eleven or twelve o'clock, an inmate of the Central Hotel, on awakening, had his attention called to a glare of lights which he observed out of his window, near which he was lying.

At first he supposed it to be in a dwelling, but there being so many, and at such a late hour, his attention was called to solve what they meant. From the peculiar nature of them, he aroused a number of the inmates to witness the strange proceedings. Balls of light from the size of an egg to that of man's head, and changing from a white to that of a reddish glare, were floating about in the air, as though they were animate objects. At first there were but a few of them, and seemed to be about twenty or thirty feet from the ground, but in a short time the number increased, and a regular carnival was held.

They moved around like apples on disturbed water, then like they were engaged in a waltz and at times falling into ranks like soldiers marching to and fro. They appeared to be over an old filed at the east end of the town, and numbered about half a hundred. The strangest part was in the wind up. While the witnesses were all eagerly gazing at the lights, a cloud came from the west, which was about the size of a door, and of a grayish or smoke color.

It had the form of a man standing in an upright position. As it neared the lights it began to change its form and color, and finally assumed that of a black coffin. On passing to the east, it hovered over the field which, contained the balls of light, and rested at about a distance of forty or fifty feet from the ground. The lights began in procession, a march was made around the coffin with seeming funeral tread, and when a complete circle was formed a halt was made.

A lid seemed to rise from the coffin, and with slow movements, the lights entered the same, were lost to view. The coffin-like object was then wafted southward, and on reaching the graveyard settled down and was seen no more. A great number of our citizens witnessed that night's phenomena which will be very memorable.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *Auburn Daily Bulletin* (Auburn, NY) May 5, 1875.
Type: X?

Location: Croglin Hall, Cumberland, England.
Date: July, 1875.
Time: Night.

Miss Amelia Cranwell was awake in her bed when an eerie skeleton-like figure broke open her window and barged into her bedroom. Her screams alerted her brothers Edward Cranwell and Michael Cranwell who broke down a locked door to get to her. They found her unconscious with blood pouring from wounds to her throat and shoulders. A lone figure was seen by the brothers loping across the lawn and a pursuit followed.

Other women in the neighborhood had reported similar attacks and sightings. At the same time there was a senseless wave of sheep killings in the Cumberland area.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'Strange and Mysterious Great Britain, Ireland and Europe 1800-1977.'*
Type: E?

Location: Middleton, Manchester, England.
Date: January 14, 1876.
Time: Night.



"A most extraordinary spiritual manifestation is said to have been witnessed by a number of persons in the neighborhood of Middleton. On Friday night last according to the statement of a number of witnesses, the figure of a woman was seen flitting or travelling along the telegraph wires. The figure was at times indistinct and shadowy, whilst at others it was more palpable to the sight. Man conjectures are afloat as to whose disembodied spirit it was that visited the earth and scared people in their peaceful habitations."

HC addendum.
Source Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *Illustrated Police News*, London, England; Saturday 15, January, 1876.
Type: E

Location: Near Newbern, Pamlico County, North Carolina.
Date: May, 1876.
Time: Night.

"Mr. Thomas Land living in Pamlico county, about 20 miles from this city, reported that on Friday night, after he had retired, he heard his dogs barking furiously in the yard and went to the back door to ascertain the cause. On opening the door, a sight met his gaze which froze his blood and made each hair stand on end like the quills on the fretful porcupine.

Just in front of him, and probably so close that he could feel the heat, was suspended in the air a large ball of fire, about the size and in the shape of a woman. On his making an exclamation of horror, his wife became alarmed and rushed to the door to see what the matter was. When she discovered "the fire woman" she immediately fainted.

After putting his wife on the bed, Mr. Land said, he became so frightened at what he had seen that he lay down and "covered up head and ears." Shortly thereafter the ball of fire passed around his house and although the night was a dark one, Mr. Land says one could see to pick up a pin in any part of the house because of the great flood of light from the "fire woman."

HC addendum.
Source: *The Carolina Watchman* (Salisbury North Carolina) May 4, 1876.
Type: E?

Location: Vetluga, Nizhniy Novgorod region, Russia.
Date: August, 1876.
Time: About midnight.

A local beautiful bourgeois woman named Marfa Popova saw off her husband to the "burlaks" (barge haulers) to the Volga River. Once at the end of summer, around midnight her bedroom became lighted by a "wonderful" light, emanating from an unknown source, she then saw an unknown entity or a weird "man" standing near her bed. The entity somehow looked very much like her husband Finogen.

Later in the early morning the man vanished the same way he had appeared. At the same time residents of this small village located amid the forests in the northern part of Nizhniy Novgorod region, had seen a strange cloud, which emitted light, flying over the town at night. The cloud was the shape of a snake, which stopped and hovered in midair over Marfa's house, and emitted sparkles.

Relatives then began demanding explanations from the poor woman and she finally confessed that she had "concealed sin" with the "sky snake" that had taken the image of her husband. After her penances and admonitions by local Orthodox archpriest Mahrovskiy, flights of the strange cloud and visits from the stranger stopped.

HC addendum.
Source: Gennadiy Nikolaev, *Anomalnye Novosti* (Anomalous News)
Saint Petersburg, Russia #14, 2005.
Type: D?
Comments: It becomes increasingly clear that cross-breeding with unknown entities and humans has been going on for centuries in one form or another and interpreted in a way to suit the time period.

Location: Cambridge, New Zealand.
Date: Late August, 1876.
Time: Evening.

"It is seldom that we have accounts now-a-days, and especially in the colonies, of supernatural appearance. The latest sensation of the kind is that supplied to us by a correspondent from Cambridge, who obtained the particulars from the native himself who had seen the apparition. The appearance has caused considerable commotion amongst the Maoris themselves. The narrative is as follows:

Last week, one of the Ngatihua was going along the bank of the Waitoa about dusk when he saw someone coming towards him. Thinking it was one of the Ngatimaru, who have feud with his tribe, he tried to get away from him, but the faster he ran, the man as he thought him to be at that time, appeared to get closer to him. He turned around, and saw something that frightened him a great deal more than any Ngatimaru could have done. What he then saw is described as something like a man, only his teeth were longer than a 'man's finger usually are', and in his mouth he had a light, which the Maori thought proceeded from a candle fastened in the lower jaw.

Directly he saw what was following him, he said, "It is an Atua," and took to his heels and ran for his life. He reached the house of a settler and fell down exhausted, and could scarcely speak. After a while he managed to tell what had followed him, and a Maori who happened to be in the house went outside and he saw the Atua standing on a rocky rise a little way from the house. He went in again and asked the 'pakehas' who were in the house to come out and bring a gun.

One took a rifle and the other a long pole. The man with the gun fired, but the shot took no effect. The man with the pole then went in to stir him with the pole, but every time he made a blow the spirit jumped around to his side. After he had tried five or six times to strike, his arms seemed to get powerless, and the spirit, with a wave of his hand knocked the pole about twenty yards away from the man that was using it.

The Atua (spirit) then rose slowly up in the air, hovering over the unfortunate man and he was pressed down by the spirit into the loose earth. He at last managed to crawl on his hands and feet to the house, were all the others had locked themselves in. They opened the door for him, and it is reported he is still lying there very ill. The natives suppose that this spirit has come to direct them with reference to their land and the King.

Therefore nearly all the natives about Cambridge have gone up to Pirauaua to receive the message whatever it may be. The name of the settler near whose house this occurred, and who fired at the Atua is mentioned by our correspondent but if we were to publish it our readers might fancy our Waikato ghost, the only one we believe the

district possesses and therefore not to be lightly parted with, to be nothing more than Moonshine."

HC addendum.
Source: *Waikato Times*, New Zealand, Volume X, #670, September 5, 1876.
Type: E
Comments: *Atua* or *Akua* are the gods and spirits of the Polynesian peoples such as the Maori or the Hawaiians. The Polynesian word literally means power or strength and so the concept is similar to that of *mana*. Today, it is used for the Judeo-Christian God. Especially powerful *atua* included.

Location: Kingston, Devon, England.
Date: December, 1876.
Time: Evening?

A choir was said to have fled a local church after a white figure entered the building as they practiced. The figure moved up the aisle and mounted the pulpit, before leaving the same route it arrived.

HC addendum.
Source: Recently added records, *The Paranormal Database.*
Type: E

Location: Caistor, Norfolk, England.
Date: 1877.
Time: Unknown.

Many local residents saw someone dressed in sheepskin clothing, jumping from roof to roof. Around that time the same or a similar individual was widely observed in Lincolnshire. On one occasion when a mob chased him, he leapt over walls and roofs and got away.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Extraordinary Experiences.'*
Type: E

Location: Salisbury, England.
Date: 1877.
Time: Unknown.

In woodland near town a “wild man” who lived in the woods was shot at when he attacked and tried to kidnap a local farmer’s wife. The creature was never seen again.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.paranormaldatabase.com/hotspots/
Type: E

Location: Near Kanazawa, Japan.
Date: 1877.
Time: Unknown.

A young man of about twenty suddenly disappeared, leaving his wooden sandals under a persimmon tree. All efforts to find him proved fruitless, until again there was aloud thump on the ceiling and there, in the same cramped space, lay the young man with his mouth all green as though he had been eating leaves. He too, on recovering consciousness, told a tale of an old man who had carried him off and taken him too many distant places.

HC addendum.
Source: Carmen Blacker *'Supernatural, abductions in Japanese Folklore.'*
Type: G

Location: Shanghai area, China.
Date: 1877.
Time: Night.

"The fifth brother of the grandfather of a friend of mine once witnessed a similar seizure just 30 days before he died. He was a countryman and he saw this fatal thing in the harvest season about 30 years ago. He had been cutting grain all day and in the late afternoon loaded his sheaves upon a cart to take them to his home, some li away.

A heavy rain came and made the bad roads impassable for his cart, so there was nothing to do but let the sheaves in the field over-night. Fearful of thieves he decided to spend the night in the little watchman's lodge which stood at the edge of his bit of land and a small boy who had been helping him went to the house and brought him a quilt and a heavy club.

Creeping into his shelter he slept until about midnight, he was disturbed by the thunder and lightning. As he rose on one elbow he was shocked to find that his cover was shared by a donkey-headed demon that sat shivering and chattering by his side. By the light of the frequent flashes he saw that the creature's eyes were bigger than eggs and luminous with a smoldering green fire.

Without hesitation he snatched up his club and quilt and leaped out into the open, but the donkey headed ghost kept close by his side, as if for protection, while the lightning played about them both. The farmer started for home and the demon stayed close to him, whimpering as it shuffled along; the thunder crashes increased in violence and the lightning became so frequent that at least several bolts merged into a ball of fire which circled round and round the demon and the man and then took up a position behind them and followed them.

Feeling that he was in bad company the farmer determined to be rid of his companion, so he suddenly turned upon him and dealt him a resounding blow with his club. The demon screamed and rushed away from him to the northwest, the ball of fire started after him, and while the farmer looked the fire overtook the demon and consumed him.

When this fifth brother of my friend's grandfather reached his home he was taken ill and for thirty days he wasted and pined away with a sickness which defied the doctors and the charms of priests. On the thirtieth day he died."

HC addendum.
Source: *North China Herald*, Saturday January 20, 1917, Shanghai, Shanghai China.
Type: E?

Location: Aldershot, Hampshire, England.
Date: March, 1877.
Time: Night.

In this military base two Redcoats (sentries) on guard reported seeing a strange looking humanoid wearing tight-fitting coveralls, a cloak and a transparent globe over its head. The humanoid had soared over the heads of the two sentries posted by the magazine and landed noiselessly beside them. The creature had icy hands and glowing eyes and had jumped over a wall that was fourteen feet high.

The humanoid was challenged but did not reply "Friend" as under Military regulations and started leaping up and down. The two sentries then started firing at him at point blank range with their Martini-Henri rifles and amazingly there was no (apparent) effect on the strange visitor. At this moment, the strange visitor, stunned both sentries with a burst of blue fire and made off.

Jack bounded off laughing and no blood was found where he had gone. At this point the guards were totally panicked and when they were able to move they laid aside their rifles and fled. They were eventually court-martialed for deserting their posts but were believed to be sincere in their stories.

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Rogerson, Mufob Vol. 5 #5.
Type: E

Location: Caribbean, near Martinique.
Date: June 1877.
Time: Afternoon?

"A local paper published in the remote district of Bayeux has just given a description in its pages of a marine monster which quite eclipses the fame of the sea-serpent. The account of this strange being has been communicated to the editor of the "Indicateur" by a worthy family living in the neighborhood who have received it from a relative of theirs serving on board the 'Thetis.'

The writer deposes that after touching at Martinique and when nearing the Diamond Point, he and his companions on board the ship were startled by the apparition of a sea monster "to which they were soon forced to give the name of a man-fish." The creature was swimming peaceably along a short distance ahead of the vessel; and with the aid of a good telescope it was quite easy to distinguish his bodily appearance and even his features.

Down to the waist, which was a slender waist as of a boy of fourteen, the figure was that of a man, its head will proportioned, the eyes large but not ugly, the nose big and flat, and the countenance round and full. The face, neck, and, in fact all the upper part of the body, appeared to be "tolerably white and the skin to be delicate but as for the lower part of the body, it simply resembles that of a fish, and ended in a large forked tail.

All these particulars were observed while the monster was pursuing its course in tranquil enjoyment of the fine weather, and nowise frightened by the shouts which the imprudent mariners addressed to it. After an hour's swim during which the 'Thetis' vainly attempted to come up with the stranger, it gave a violent impulsion to its tail and disappeared from view."

HC addendum.
Source: *Thames Star* (NZ) Vol. VII issue 2642, June 27, 1877.
Type: E

Location: Gietrzwald, Olsztyn/Warmian region, Poland.
Date: June 27, 1877.
Time: Evening.

13-year old Justyna Szafrynska was returning home when she noticed that the maple tree near the church was illuminated with a bright light and the silhouette could be seen in the brightness. The entity was a female with long hair and was clad in a white garment. She was sitting on a golden throne decorated with pearls. After a while, a light descended from the sky and a “golden-winged angel” was seen. He wore a white shining robe and had a white wreath on his head. After some time, the entity stood up from the throne and rose toward the sky.

HC addendum.
Source: direct from woe_@vp.pl
Type: E

Location: Gietrzwald, Poland.
Date: June 28, 1877.
Time: Midday.

Justyna Szafrynska and her friends were praying in the yard when the same maple tree became illuminated with a bright light. A golden ring was seen around the tree. They saw in the background a golden throne decorated with pearls. Two angels brought The Immaculate and when she sat down, the angels brought her the baby Jesus holding the Earth globe in his left hand. They sat the baby on her left knee.

Other angels held a shining crown above Mary's head. Still another angel brought a golden wand and was holding it in his right hand just above the crown. Another angel was seen pointing at a huge cross placed horizontally (without the figure or image of Christ on it). This vision lasted about 30 minutes. The exact same thing occurred on June 29, 1877. (St. Peter and St. Paul day).

HC addendum.
Source: woe_@vp.pl
Type: E or F?

Location: Gietrzwald, Poland.
Date: June 30, 1877.
Time: Unknown.

A second witness, 12-year old Barbara Samulowska had a vision; Samulowska asked Mary, (as the local priest Augustyn Weichsel had ordered her) *"What do you, O Holy Mother of God expect from us?"* The answer was, *"I order you to pray the rosary every day."* Since this day only the Virgin Mary was seen or encountered.

This visions and encounters all the way up to September 8, 1877. At times the Holy Virgin (or its apparition) would order the girls to tell the locals to erect a cross or a church at a certain location. Bishop Filip Krementz conveyed a special commission to examine the girls. The commission which consisted of 20 religious scholars declared that both girls were, "unassuming, simple, natural and far from any cunning."

HC addendum.
Source: direct from woe_@vp.pl
Type: E or F?

Location: Newport, Gwent, Wales.
Date: July, 1877.
Time: Evening.

Springheeled Jack was said to have made another appearance four months after the affair at Aldershot. A strange humanoid was seen on the roof of a house gazing down into the street and matching the description of the creature at Aldershot. The stranger attracted huge crowds of spectators but eventually escaped by leaping distances of up to twenty feet that were humanly impossible from rooftop to rooftop.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'Strange and Mysterious Great Britain, Ireland and Europe 1800-1977.'*
Type: E

Location: Lincoln, Lincolnshire, England.
Date: July, 1877.
Time: Unknown.

One week after the sighting at Newport, Springheeled Jack was reported in this location. On one occasion ‘Jack’ was even shot at but escaped.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *‘Strange and Mysterious Great Britain, Ireland and Europe 1800-1977.’*
Type: E

Location: Aldershot, England.
Date: Early September, 1877.
Time: Night.

Two guards (involved in a previous similar incident) encountered a glowing white figure that made huge leaps and at one time approached and touched their faces. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Rogerson Mufob Vol. 5 #5.
Type: E

Location: Brooklyn, New York.
Date: September 18, 1877.
Time: Unknown.

Witnesses saw a man like figure that seemed to propel himself over the area using an unknown apparatus. The same or similar figure was also seen over Coney Island in 1880.

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Rogerson, Mufob Vol. 5 #5.
Type: E

Location: Near Rosario, Argentina.
Date: October, 1877.
Time: Unknown.

A local chemist named Savarg was walking along a riverbed when he found a large rock like artifact, black in color and of an oval shape. Convinced that it was a meteor, Savarg, and two geologists, Davis and Paxton decided to break it open. After six days of work they found some sort of white metallic compartment, covered with a metal plate. After removing the plate they found a second compartment where they found a coffin like object with a body inside.

The being inside was described as hairless, a triangular-shaped head, wrinkled skin, flattened face, no nose, a trunk like protuberance on its forehead, a very small mouth, with only fourteen teeth and two round holes where the eyes would had been. It had long thin arms with five fingered hands. In the "coffin" they also found a silver plate with inscriptions representing, the Sun, stars and planets. Nothing more is known of this alleged early recovery.

HC addendum.
Source: Carlos Iurchuk, Stop Ovni Page.
Type: H?

Location: Martha Hill, Waihi, New Zealand.
Date: 1878.
Time: Various.

Gold prospectors reported large, long-haired man-beasts carrying stone knives hand axes, and wooden clubs. (Reputed to have been "The Coromandel Man" a Wildman of Australasia).

HC addendum.
Source: George Eberhart, *'Mysterious Creatures.'*
Type: E

Location: Near Olivet, Michigan.
Date: April 22, 1878.
Time: Night.

"A spook came out of the woodpile a few nights since and stopped the eastward bound train. It is described as a human form robed in snowy white, and appeared on the track a few rods in advance of the engine. The engineer blew the whistle, but the mysterious form refused to yield the track. The train was stopped, and a party went ahead to reconnoiter, when the strange personage retreated, and when they retreated would follow them.

To all questions that were asked it gave no response. They ordered it off the track, and it refused to budge, when they fired several bullets through its heart, but, instead of crying out, it danced a hornpipe on the rails and seemed to delight at their discomfiture. Finally the engineer mounted the engine and pulled the throttle and just as the exasperated engine was about to make mincemeat of the stranger, it disappeared into thin air.

The news soon spread in the vicinity and the next night farmers and trackmen went to the spot, and behold! The strange figure confronted them. They set dogs on it, which seemed to be grappling with an object, but no blood was found. The men armed to teeth, boldly went forward, but it retreated, and when they receded would follow to a given point. A party outflanked it, and came upon it to solve the mystery, but it vanished heavenward.

Not being satisfied, the party went to the spot the next day, when to their horror, and old man robed in black came out of the woodpile and took his wonted position on the track as if to dispute their passage, his long silvery locks and snowy-white beard floating in the breeze. The dogs were called into requisition against it, but to no avail. He carried a death-like smile throughout, and retreated at their advance as before, and on being surrounded, again vanished heavenward."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Anomalistic List, quoting *Elyria Ohio Republican* May 2, 1878.
Type: E?

Location: Near Woodseaves, Shropshire, England.
Date: January 21, 1879.
Time: 10:00 p.m.

A man was driving his horse cart across a bridge when a horrible black humanoid with huge shining eyes jumped out of the trees and landed on the horse's back. He tried to push the creature off but it would not budge and the whip seemed to go through it. The horse panicked and went into a gallop with the creature clinging to it. The creature eventually disappeared and the man arrived at his home in a state of shock.

HC addendum.
Source: Graham J. McEwan, *'Mystery Animals of Britain and Ireland.'* Type: E

Location: Near Rock Island, Illinois.
Date: July 25, 1879.
Time: Midnight.

Esil Clouse, a well-known merchant of this city, and a man named Hefner, from Rock Island, Ill., met with an adventure in the Rock River Forest, adjacent to Penney's Slough, seven miles north of here, on last Friday night, that savors strongly of marvelous. Everybody in this city knows Clouse. He is a sober, quiet, honest young married man.

Clouse and Hefner were fishing in Penney's Slough on Friday night, and about midnight they were startled by a series of the most hideous yells, emanating from the old Indian burying-ground, just over the edge of the precipitous bluff that rises a few rods back from the slough. Hefner said: "There is that animal again." On being asked to explain, he related that he had seen a large, strange animal in that neighborhood about a year previous. Both then seized their guns (double barreled breech-loaders) and, leaving a young man named Lawson in charge of the camp, clambered up the bluff, and were soon in the old burial ground.

Each had a lantern, and by the light of these soon saw an animal about the size of a large Newfoundland dog standing erect on its hind feet on one of the Indian graves. Clouse says that the beast had no hair, but seemed to be covered with large bony plates or scales. Two large white stripes ran down his back. His head was small, and surmounted by a pair of long pointed ears, which he flapped up and down with great facility.

He stood and stared fiercely at the men, blinking in the lights of the lanterns. He pounded his breast vehemently and with his fore paws. Both Clouse and Hefner fired into his body with BB shot from a distance of about three rods. The effect was to knock the animal over; but he was immediately on his feet again, and howling like a demon. Clouse describes the sound of the shot as they struck the body to be similar to striking a hollow stump.

They gave him another load each. He then took to racing frantically up and down an old hollow tree, about the center of the grave yard. While this was going on they gave him all a dozen charges of heavy shot. Finally he ran into a hole in the tree. Determined to kill him if possible, the men ran to the camp and procured a couple of axes, with which they soon felled the hollow and rotten tree. The screams of the brute as the tree fell were absolutely horrible.

He rushed from his lair and into the forest, returning several times and making at the men as if to attack them. He finally departed and was seen no more. The men visited the ground next day, but could detect no trace of blood. In the hollow of the tree they found

the sleeve of a coat, a pocket and some buttons. Bear-traps and various devices are now planted about the brute's haunts, and hopes are entertained that he may be captured.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Magonia Exchange quoting *New Orleans Times-Picayune,* August 3, 1879.
Type: E

Location: Knock, County Mayo, Ireland.
Date: August 21, 1879.
Time: Evening.

Margaret Beirne was on her way to lock up the church for the evening. After she completed the task she was returning home when she noticed a strange brightness covering the church. She mentioned this to no one else. At about this time two other women noticed the lighted church and saw what appeared to be statues in the chapel. As both women approached the church they realized that the supposed statues were moving. What they and thirteen others saw in the still bright day was a beautiful woman, clothed in white garments, wearing a large brilliant crown. Her hands were raised as in prayer. They identified this woman as "Mary."

On her right stood a man identified as St Joseph, his head inclined towards her. On her left stood St John the Evangelist, dressed as a bishop. All this was seen on the gable wall of the church in a cloud of light and lasted for about two hours. Other villagers reported seeing a very bright light illuminating the area around where the church was located. There were subsequent reports of inexplicable healings associated with visits to the church at Knock.

HC addendum.

Source: *'The Apparitions of the Virgin Mary: A History of Marian Appearances.'*
Type: E or F?

Location: Owingsville, Kentucky.
Date: November, 1879.
Time: Various.

An inexplicable sight has been seen in this county and it has created a furor and excitement. The report came to this city that a man had been seen standing in mid-air at a point about six miles east of town; that he was making gestures of all kinds and after staying there about half an hour had suddenly ascended until it rose beyond the view of the naked eye.

According to reports, a local farmer; Abraham Goodpaster, had gone to the mill and his wife had been washing, when she went outdoors for something. Looking up, she saw something like a man suspended in mid-air about twenty feet above the tops of the trees. The figure was making gestures of all kinds, but did not speak. It would throw its hands wildly, and then fold its arms, and then clasp its hands, and drawing its knees up assume the attitude of prayer.

When Mrs. Goodpaster first saw it, she called to her mother in law who lives with her, and she too came out and saw it, but was so frightened that she would not stay, but ran and hid. Mrs. Goodpaster's children came out and with their mother continued to look at it for about twenty five minutes, when the figure began to ascend and vanished from view.

The figure was tall and slender, with a long neck, but what it was they were unable to say. Mr. Goodpaster's mother took this figure as an omen of his death, and sent post hate for him by his two eldest sons, who were surprised to meet him on his way home uninjured.

James Nealus a farmer living near Mr. Goodpaster, also saw what he thought was a balloon but saw no man in it. He watched, it for some time, when it was taken up from sight. A son of the Ott's also saw the same thing, but was unable to tell what it was.

HC addendum.
Source: *Wheeling* West Virginia *Register*, November 20, 1879.
Type: E?
Comments: Thanks to Fabio Picasso from Magonia Exchange.

1880-1889

Location: (Undisclosed location) Border of United States and Canada.
Date: 1880's.
Time: Night.



"My name is Rita Swift I live in Orange Co. California. In 1945, my grandfather George Huhn told me a story about the time his train hit a large ape-like creature and bent the cow catcher on his train. This was in the 1880's and he was an engineer on a train that ran along the borders of the US and Canada. It was night, and all of a sudden their train hit something and they stopped the train, because the cowcatcher was dragging on the tracks.

At first they thought it was a moose, but when they all got out with their lanterns, they discovered this huge smelly ape, hung up in the catcher. They had only lanterns for light, and they were in the forest, basically in the middle of nowhere. It took most of the crew to pick it up and lift it into an open flat car. They noticed it was structured differently from a gorilla or ape, and smelled so bad, the crew got the smell on them. They left it on the flat car, because it took at least 2 hours to straighten out the cow catcher. Good thing my great grandfather was also a blacksmith.

They were at least 2 hours from the next water tower and station of sorts. The break man noticed Indians sneaking around in the forest, but thought they had disappeared. When they were ready to go, the crew checked on their smelly passenger, but he was gone. They looked for tracks and decided the Indians had dragged it away into the forest and across a stream. They found the tracks and pieces of hair and of course the smell. They washed up in the stream and were glad to get rid of it. The smell had even remained in the flat car.

My great grandfather took pieces of the hair back, and gave it to a doctor he knew in Michigan. They had all decided the creature had escaped from a circus or sideshow.

Great grandfather thought it was 8 feet tall and weighed at least 500 lbs. It took six men to carry it off the tracks.

When my daughter was a student at California State University at Fullerton in 1986, I met a Professor of Anthropology. The reason I was there, was I donated Indonesian Fighting Swords to her dept. They were very old and had belonged to my husband. I just didn't feel comfortable having them in my home anymore. In noticed in her office she had information on the walls about Bigfoot. I told her the story and she believed it was documented.

My grandfather said the ape had a different face than what he remembered of a gorilla. He said the teeth were like humans, but extremely wide and large. The body hair was thick dark brown, with light tipping and the eyes were large and dark. He said they agreed it was a male because of its genitalia. Grandfather continued as a railroad engineer on the Colorado Wyoming line until he retired in 1925."

HC addendum.
Source: Scott White quoting Western Bigfoot Society Track Record #103
Type: X

Location: Utah territory.
Date: 1880's.
Time: Various.

TREATMENT OF THE SICK:

Two native methods of treating the sick were in use among the Utes at the time this material was in preparation (1914-1916). In both these methods there was a dependence on supernatural aid, but in one method no material means were employed, while in the other method it was customary to administer herbs or other remedies. These two methods were also used by the Chippewa and Sioux and following the precedent of those volumes the term "medicine man" will be used to designate the person who depended entirely upon supernatural means and the term "doctor" to designate the person administering herbs.

The following section comprises information given by Pa'gits a representative of the first-named method, and Mrs. Washington, a representative of the second. Pa'gits explained the distinction between the two methods by saying that a medicine man, when treating a sick person, proceeded according to directions from his supernatural adviser, given him at the time, while a doctor, under similar circumstances, stated first the authority by which he practiced his profession, describing a long-past vision, usually of a bird or animal.

He said that medicine men did not buy songs of each other, as every medicine man possessed the ability to secure songs in a supernatural manner. Doctors, on the other hand, were accustomed to buy and sell songs, the older doctors frequently transferring songs to younger men. A good remedy was worth a horse, this price including the herb, the history of its medicinal use, and the song without which it would not be effective.

Pa'gits, whose material will first be presented, said that he was entirely independent of material means, not even using a rattle or wearing amulets or "charms" when treating the sick. He said that after seeing and questioning a sick person he could tell whether he could cure him.

On being asked whether he ever began the treatment of a case concerning which he felt uncertain, he replied without hesitation that he never did so, saying, "We believe that if a doctor begins on a case which he is not sure he can cure he will certainly fail." Continuing, he said, "I always tell the person that he will get well because I know it is true." Also, "If the sick person does not think I can cure him I do not talk about it; I just cure him and prove it."

Concerning the source of his power, Pa'gits said that he treated the sick under the tutelage of a "little green man" and that numerous other medicine men were under the same guidance, there being many of the little green men. He first saw the little green man when he was a boy of about 12 years and has seen him at intervals ever since. The

songs used in his treatment of the sick were, however, received by him about three years previous to giving this information. At that time he was in the mountains and fell asleep. He then heard the little green man singing these songs and learned them in this manner. He said that when a man hears a song in a dream he sings aloud in his sleep and remembers the song after he wakes.

Describing the "the little green man." Pa'gits indicated his height as about 2 feet, saying he was green from head to foot and carried a bow and arrows. In disposition he was "good to those he liked," and especially favored medicine men. He could hear those who spoke unkindly of him and "shot his arrow" into them. These "arrows" were removed by the medicine men, who were paid for the treatment. Pa'gits said that the little green man "came around only at night." If Pa'gits wished to talk with the little green man he sat outdoors in the early morning before sunrise. He sat facing the east and smoked. No ceremonial act was connected with this and he had no drum or rattle, neither did he sing. Sometimes it was not even necessary for him to smoke in order to talk with the little green man. If he wished to make a present to the little green man he left it beside the "hole" which was the door of his dwelling. He was not obliged to give him a present after each successful treatment of the sick, but once in a while he gave him a handkerchief or another small gift.

The abodes of the little green men were said to look like little chimneys and to be scattered through the mountains or any unsettled country. Those who pass such a dwelling and recognize it always throw a little branch of cedar or some other offering in front of it so the little man will not be angry with them. Tradition says that one night some white people filled the door of a little green man's house with stones but in the morning all the stones had been removed. Pa'gits said: "The little man makes a fire at night, and you can see a little light. In the early morning you can see smoke coming out of his house."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, quoting *'The Collected works of Sir Humphry Davy: Discourses delivered before the Royal society. Elements of agricultural chemistry, pt. I.'*

Location: (Undisclosed location) Missouri.
Date: 1880.
Time: Daytime.

A man hunting in the hills saw a round craft descend from the sky and land on top of a nearby hill. He climbed up the hill to investigate and came upon a large silvery ball-shaped object in a clearing. A hatch or opening became visible on top of the object and two short human-like figures emerged. One was a female and the other a male both described as "very handsome looking." They attempted to communicate with the witness in a strange dialect, and then retreated back into the silvery ball, which then took off into the sky and vanished.

HC addendum.
Source: Harold T. Wilkins, *'Flying Saucers on the Attack.'*
Type: B

Location: Knock, Ireland.
Date: January 5, 1880.
Time: Night.

Two ladies saw strange lights round the chapel gable end, as well as what one took to be a small figure of the Blessed Virgin about a foot and a half in height. It was the vigil of the feast of the Epiphany and they had gone there in the expectation of seeing something. The lights grew dim and brightened again. Two policemen were also present and they too reported seeing lights on the gable end. They were convinced that the lights could not have been produced artificially, and in any case found no one hiding nearby, despite a thorough search. (Interpreted as a false Marian vision).

HC addendum.
Source: Theotokos.org
Type: E or F

Location: Yorke's Peninsula, NSW, Australia.
Date: February 16, 1880.
Time: 6:40 p.m.

Was it the Bunyip? The South Australian Advertiser says: A strange story comes to us from Yorke's Peninsula. Our Minlaton correspondent, writing on February 17, says: "A singular looking object was seen yesterday, at 6.40 p.m., by Mr. M. O'Dea, a well-known resident here. He says that, as he was driving from Stansbury and when about 1 ½ mile from Minlaton, the horses gave a sudden start, and on looking up he saw a strange looking object on the road about 2 ½ chains in front of him. In appearance it was formed like a man, stood from 7 to 7 ½ feet in height, and was covered with feathers of a very light color.

It went along the center of the road for about 200 yards at a great pace, taking enormous strides. Mr. O'Dea put his horses into a gallop, but it still increased its distance until coming to a bush fence, when it put out one of its arms, which was like that of a human being only very much larger, and made a loud noise, which he could only describe as being between the bellowing of a cow and the peculiar noise made by an emu when calling its young. It easily cleared the fence, and was soon lost to view in the thick scrub. When it turned off the road the outline of its face was to all appearance like that of a monkey's."

HC addendum.
Source: *The Maitland Mercury* and *Hunter River General Advertiser* (NSW: 1843-1893), February 28, 1880.
Type: E

Location: Center Township, Dubuque County, Iowa.
Date: March, 1880.
Time: Various.

Andy Crowe is a well-known and prosperous farmer, living in Center Township, Dubuque County. Some years ago he had a daughter, the sole remaining member of his family living at home. The girl, just approaching womanhood, was afflicted with a strange malady that baffled the skill of physicians. He finally concluded to take the girl to Father Bernard of the New Melleray Monastery, who, on account of his well-known piety and self-abnegation had established quite a reputation far and wide as a restorer to health of persons afflicted with physical or mental diseases.

The good father prayed over the girl and prescribed medicine for her cure. On her way home from the monastery the girl told her father that all that was done for her by Father Bernard would not help her in the least and that she would go away in a year from that time to live with the fairies. Her father paid no attention to what the girl said, in fact, he forgot all about it until just a year from that night he woke up in the morning and found his daughter gone.

A candle was burning in her room, and all her clothes were left behind except one calico dress. On reporting her disappearance and what the girl had told him, the neighbors became very suspicious, and charged the old man with making away with her. The neighboring creek was dragged for her body, and the woods and fields subjected to a close search, but no trace of the missing girl was found.

A year after her disappearance, she returned home and related a wonderful tale regarding her absence. She said she had been off with the fairies with whom she had lived in the most splendid style. They had everything that heart could desire, and spent most of their time in traveling incognito over the country.

She had traveled with them and rode in the cars, invisible to mortal eyes. They heard of the suspicions attaching to her father on account of her disappearance, and, at their command, she had returned home to clear up the old gentleman. A grand feast was held in honor of her return, which was attended by all the neighbors, to whom she related her wonderful experience.

Two days later she came to Dubuque to visit her sister, who is married to a man named James Hayes, a teamster, residing on Thirteenth Street. On the third day after coming to Dubuque she came down stairs and informed Mrs. Hayes that she had to go, that two of the fairies had come for her. Mrs. Hayes followed the girl upstairs, and there, to her amazement, she saw two queer-looking beings resembling men dressed in antiquated black costumes, and with them the girl left the house. Mrs. Hayes followed them to the door and watched them go up the street, when, after going half a block, all

three suddenly disappeared in the air, since which nothing has ever been heard of the missing girl.

Such is the story that has been repeatedly told by Andy Crowe, always with tearful eyes and impassioned voice, and most of his neighbors, many of who are well posted in the legendary tales regarding the fairies in Ireland, implicitly believe the same.

HC addendum.
Source: *Plain Dealer* (Cleveland Ohio) 29 March, 1886.
Type: G

Location: Galisteo Junction, New Mexico.
Date: March 26, 1880.
Time: Night.

On a quiet Friday night three friends were taking a short walk when suddenly they heard voices, which seemed to be coming from the sky. The men looked up to see an object, "monstrous in size," rapidly approaching from the west, flying so low that elegantly-drawn characters could be discerned on the outside of the peculiar vehicle. Inside, the occupants, about 10 or so that looked like ordinary human beings, were laughing and shouting in an unfamiliar language and the men on the ground also heard music coming from the craft.

The craft itself was "fish-shaped" like a cigar with a tail and a huge "fan" or propeller drove it. As it passed overhead one of the occupants tossed some objects from the object. Soon thereafter the aerial machine ascended and sailed away toward the east at high speed. One of the items thrown down was a beautiful flower with a slip of fine silk paper containing characters, which reminded the men of designs they had seen on Japanese chests, which held tea.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee, *'Passport to Magonia.'*
Type: A

Location: Near Cameron Mills, (now Cameron) New York.
Date: April, 1880.
Time: Afternoon.

Two sisters named Elizabeth and Eva were on a long hike to their district's one-room school house one day, accompanied by a few other children. But as the group approached a small bridge crossing a small stream, they noticed something peculiar on the opposite side. Clustered from the bridge down the embankment to the creek were a small group of what they called "little people."

The beings motioned for the children to continue across the bridge, but "…their parents had cautioned them to wary of strangers" so instead, the children ran home as fast as they could. How the children described these beings is very unusual, indeed. They were said to be "small, skinny, and oddly colored" in a greyish tone. They wore skin-tight, metallically shiny clothing and possessed abnormally long, spindly fingers. In short, they seem to echo the classic modern description of alien greys found in modern stories.

Somehow, the children managed to keep this strange tale to themselves, though it's possible that their parents cautioned them against telling anyone about what they saw for fear of seeming crazy. But these two girls did share the encounter with their younger brother who passed it down through the generations to modern times.

HC addendum.
Source: http://whofortedblog.com/2015/01/31/new-yorks-1880-close-encounter-third-kind/
Type: E

Location: Sung Xian, China.
Date: May 8, 1880.
Time: Evening.

According to county records of the time farmer Ju Tan saw a glowing object land in the bushes. He began to float, became paralyzed, and lost consciousness. He woke up two weeks later 300 miles away on a mountain top with no memory of the missing time.

HC addendum.
Source: UFO Time-Line.
Type: G?

Location: Louisville, Kentucky.
Date: July, 1880.
Time: Unknown.

An unknown attacker described as tall, with pointed ears, a long nose, and long fingers, that wore a cape, shiny uniform and helmet reportedly accosted several women, tearing at their clothing. It is said to have sported on his chest a bright light that spouted a blue flame at his victims. He made his escapes by jumping effortlessly over obstacles like wagons and haystacks in a single bound.

HC addendum.
Source: Martin Jeffrey.
Type: E

Location: Louisville, Kentucky.
Date: July 28, 1880.
Time: Afternoon.

Two local residents, C. A. Youngman and Ben Flexner reported seeing what they first took to be the wreck of a toy balloon. But when it got closer they saw that it was really "a man surrounded by machinery which he seemed to be working with his hands." On his back were wings or fans whose flapping seemed to direct the construction's movement.

When it would begin to descend the man would make the wings move faster and he then would ascend to continue flying in a horizontal position.

Eventually he passed out of view in the twilight. That same evening the Royster family of Madisonville, Kentucky, about 100 miles to the west and south saw a peculiar lighted object; which today we would call a classic UFO 'hopping' southward over the city. They reported that it changed shape, from a circle to an oval, as it passed over the railway station half a mile away.

HC addendum.
Source: John Keel, *'The Mothman Prophecies.'*
Type: E
Comments: Is this related to the case above?

Location: Llanthony Monastery, Wales.
Date: August 30, 1880.
Time: Various.

One of Sisters (nuns) saw a ghostly sacrament and later the same day, four boys living in the community saw a vision of the Virgin in the twilight. A bright, dazzling figure, glided across the meadow towards 12-year old John Stewart. A halo of glory shone out from the figure all around in an oval form. The form was of a woman, a veil hung over the head and face, the hands were both raised as if in blessing.

It approached very slowly; they saw the beautiful form enter the hedge, and after remaining there in the light for a few moments, passed through the bush and vanished. Several days later, on September 4, a light appeared in the same place and a veiled woman and a man wearing only a loincloth (!) were seen.

On September 15 four people singing an Ave Maria in honor of the Virgin witnessed a further vision. "The whole heavens and mountains broke forth in bulging circles of light, circles pushing out from circles the light poured upon our faces and the buildings where we stood and in the central circle stood a most Majestic Heavenly Form, robed in flowing drapery. The Form was gigantic, but seemed to be reduced to human size as it approached." The figure stood sideways, facing the Holy Bush. The Vision was most distinct and the details were very clear, but it was gone in "the twinkling of an eye."

A few minutes later after this, Mr. E from Oxford and one of the boys saw the shadowy form of the Blessed Virgin in light, by the enclosure gate with uplifted hands. This is the last of the visions reported at the location.

HC addendum
Source: Janet & Colin Bord, *'Modern Mysteries of Britain.'*
Type: E or F?

Location: Llanthony Monastery, Wales (U.K.)
Date: September, 1880.
Time: Various.

Father Ignatius writes to the *Church Times* as follows: "I returned from Slapton on Tuesday last on purposes to investigate the truth of the extraordinary statements made by the boys and brothers. On Tuesday we saw nothing. On Wednesday, after vespers, the last service of the Blessed Virgin's nativity, I did see that which quite assures me that God has been marvelously visiting this place. It was 8 p.m., Wednesday; very dark, thick heavy clouds, pouring rain. We all went to the Abbey doors, and as the brothers affirmed the Virgin appeared to them several times when they sang the *Ave Maria,* I told them to sing it then.

After the fourth *Ave,* the clouds suddenly parted, and a flash of dazzling glory poured out from the sky, and in the midst was a form standing as it seemed, sideways, and descending to the Earth. It was a distinct human form of great dignity, but I could not tell whether male or female for the suddenness of the vision. The awful light bulged out in circles, the figure standing in the center, and descending close upon us, and vanishing. It was 'in the twinkling of an eye.' When I recovered my breath after the tremendous vision, awe-struck I asked the others what they had seen.

Brother Dunstan and Brother George also the associate from Hay who was outside. The light was as sudden as lightning, but not in the least like it; it was a picture very like Dore's 'Triumph of Christianity.' A few who had come to see if any manifestation of the Virgin might appear to him, together with one of the monastery children, saw the figure of Our Lady just by the enclosure gates, standing sideways facing the Bush, her hands upraised in blessing, and the long sleeves were noticed by both, since that evening nothing more has been seen."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange.
Type: E or F?

Location: Coney Island, New York.
Date: September 11, 1880.
Time: Daytime.

The *New York Times* reported the following astonishing story: "One day last week a marvelous apparition was seen near Coney Island. At the height of at least 1000 feet in the air a strange object was in the act of flying toward the New Jersey coast. It was apparently a man in bat's wings and improved frog's legs. The face of the man could be distinctly seen and he wore a cruel and determined expression.

The movements made by the object closely resembled those of a frog in the act of swimming with his hind legs and flying with his front legs. When we add that this monster waved his wings in answer to the whistle of a locomotive and was of a deep black color, the alarming nature of the apparition can be imagined. The object was seen by many reputable persons and they all agree that it was a man engaged in flying toward New Jersey."

HC addendum.
Source: J. Clark and L. Coleman, *Fate* March, 1972.
Type: E

Location: Near Monterey, Kentucky.
Date: 1881?
Time: Unknown.

"I opened an Indian mound near here some time ago. It was about four feet high, and contained a great many large stones. Apparently they had been carried a great way up a steep hill. At the bottom I found the remains of a strange being, just four feet high. His bones were very sound; his forehead was not an inch high, but was very broad. He was put away very carefully between flat rocks and covered with charcoal. On the mound there was a very large rotten stump, which looks as if it might have been a white oak three and one half feet in diameter.

In the grave I found a spear, seven inches long, of red flint, also very curious flints of smaller size, and at his feet a singular speckled flint with a fine edge to it. The bones are not red like an Indian's but of a dark, ashy color. The teeth are perfect and seem to have been used a long time, which proves he was old although only four feet high. There are other mounds similar to this one here and very different from the common Indian graves, which are full of bones of different color, being red, and all thrown in carelessly."

HC addendum.
Source: *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Wisconsin, October 22, 1881.
Type: H?

Location: Fredrikstad, Norway.
Date: Late June, 1881.
Time: Late evening.

The witness lived in a house close to an old church in Fredrikstad and worked in western Fredrikstad and would return home in the evening; it was often quite late before returning home, as it was a long way to walk. Then one evening a few days after midsummer, he was sitting together with his wife next to the window eating a meal when they suddenly saw several completely black human-looking creatures standing outside the church gate, on the road that went past the church wall. He thought these figures were strange-looking and his wife thought the same, but thought no further on the matter at the time, as the road was usually well travelled by both driving and walking people.

But their attention was attracted by these creature's strange movements and appearance. They were all of equal height and very thin, a long smock hid their feet. They had small heads without any head-dress or gear and their arms were held straight forward on all of them which made it look like they had only one arm. They seemed to play and dance with each other, going back and forth, 'compared to the movements of the northern lights on a winter's light.'

Stunned, he asked his wife what kind of strange people were these, but she didn't answer she just stared. Suddenly and in an instant they all disappeared at the same time appearing to walk directly into the church wall, the witness estimated that there must have been 10 to 12 figures. A few moments' later three more appeared again on the road, making the same movements as the first ones, and disappeared on the same spot on the wall, and they never saw them again. It had been rather light outside and it happened relatively close to the witnesses so they were convinced that it had not been a trick of the light or confusion. The incident lasted about 10 minutes.

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braenne in Magonia Exchange list, quoting 'Spokelser' (Ghosts) 1913.
Type: E?

Location: West of Onkaparinga, South Australia.
Date: 1882.
Time: Various.

A “Wildman” of fierce aspect and peculiar shape has been discovered by travelers in a forest sixty miles west of Onkaparinga. The trunk of his body terminates in a single leg, which is more than twice the thickness of an ordinary leg. The heel of the single foot projects some five or six inches behind the ankle bone, while the foot itself is broad and flat and of extraordinary length.

So quick is the man in his actions that he can get over the ground with much greater rapidity than a man can run blessed with two stout legs. He moves in a series of long hops, and he has been seen to hop across streams twelve and fifteen feet wide. The attempts of the travelers to affect the man’s capture proved ineffectual.

HC addendum.
Source: Magonia Exchange list posting quoting the *South Australian Chronicle*.
Type: E

Location: Szemerja, Transylvania, Romania.
Date: 1883.
Time: Night.

Mrs. A. G. was coming home one Friday night, found a little red man sitting by the oven; the moon light shone on the oven and the outline of the little man could therefore be distinctly seen; his size was bout that of a man's arm, a black cap crowned his head, his dress was red, his face and hands covered with hair.

The terrified woman stood staring at the strange being, which sat immovable in the moonlight; after some time the creature advanced a few steps and disappeared. The bizarre goblin-like creature was seen the next several days at the same location, at one time it scratched the witness's forehead and the witness then fainted.

HC addendum.
Source: Janet Bord, *'Faeries, Real Encounters with the Little People.'*
Type: E

Location: Walnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
Date: February, 1883.
Time: Various.

"The citizens residing on County Line Street, or at least that portion of it near the top of Walnut Hill, have been much exercised lately by the appearance of an uncanny apparition, which, it is said, can be seen almost any night. Those who have seen it declare it to be a transparent, luminous object that appears to rise out of the ground, at first looking like a spiral column. As soon as it reaches a certain height the upper part of it looks like a human being, having a head and shoulders, and something like wings, where the arms ought to be. It is said to throw off sparks of blue fire, like the balls shot from a Roman candle. It sways to and fro, rises up and down, and sometimes rolls along the ground.

Three young men who were passing by the spot on their way home about two weeks ago, saw on the hill, just below Sampson's stable, a queer-looking, luminous object. Wondering what it was, they got over the fence to investigate. When within a few yards the thing suddenly rolled itself into a ball and commenced moving towards them, at the same time throwing off the fiery blue balls before mentioned. The young men stepped to one side to let it pass, and one of them, named C___, was struck in the eye by one of the blue sparks, and the next morning his visional organ had the appearance of having been engaged in a pugilistic encounter. Since that time the 'ghost' has been seen by a number of people.

A few nights ago several young men who reside in the vicinity of Walnut Hill, determined to interview the specter, and ascertain if possible whether the appearance was a "spirit of health or goblin damned." For this purpose they met near Sampson's stable at that canny hour of the night when graveyards are supposed to yawn. They climbed over the fence, and slowly approached the unhallowed spot.

"Come on fellows," cried G., who appeared to be the ringleader, *"don't be scared; I'm not. Never was G. yet that was afraid of the face of a man, or the....Hush!"* almost shrieked McK. *"What's that?"* and he pointed his finger to a small, fiery object that appeared to be rising out of the ground.

It continued to rise, until it stood nearly eight feet high, and the top of it gradually assumed the shape of a large human head. Flames appeared to issue from its huge, cavernous mouth. Not in one continual steam, but in puffs like steam from an escape pipe. Sometimes the flames would shoot out ten or twelve feet. The large fiery eyes were continually fixed on the boys, making them tremble from head to foot. First it swayed from side to side, then backward and forward. At length, shooting up four or five feet in height, and shooting out flames to a greater distance, it commenced moving toward them.

With a horrible yell, the boys turned and fled. Five of them struck the top of the board fence at the same time, which unfortunately gave way, and they were precipitated down an embankment about ten feet and landed in a ditch. The boys, however, soon scrambled to their feet, and broke for their several homes, and did not feel safe until they were comfortably ensconced beneath the blankets, where they shook themselves to sleep.

The citizens of the neighborhood have come to the conclusion to call a convocation of preachers, in order to hold a prayer meeting on the spot, and by this means endeavor to lay the ghost. Our reporter has borrowed a navy revolver, a huge club and a bowie knife, determined at all risks to watch the proceedings and inform the readers of the news how the "laying" of the ghost comes off."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, citing *Daily City News* New Castle, Pennsylvania, February 14, 1883.
Type: E?

Location: Near Booneville, Indiana.
Date: April, 1883.
Time: Unknown.

After a wild man or creature attacked a mail carrier and his horse near this city, a search party prowled hills and hollows to a cave where tracks indicated the attacker was hiding. After smoking him out, they tied him up, but he ripped through the rope as if it were paper. As he fled, sharpshooters fired at him and swore they had hit him to no effect. The searchers were not sure if he was man or beast.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark.
Type: E

Location: Mexico, Missouri.
Date: December, 1883.
Time: Various.

"The neighborhood of Hopewell Church, near this city is much excited over the appearance in the locality of a strange creature, which is thought by the credulous to be a ghost, and which is a puzzle at least to the most skeptical. The apparition is simply that of a lean 'monster-man,' between eight and ten feet in height wearing a long cloak and going about with his head bowed in an abstracted way, but occasionally glaring at those it meets with small, glittering eyes, said to resemble those of a cat or some wild beast.

The Negroes believe the apparition to be a ghost; the white people do not know what to say. There appears little doubt, whatever the creature may be, that it has actually been seen a number of times. The school at Hopewell Church is about to be abandoned because of fear of the monster, and even sturdy farmers go about armed, in apprehension of it.

John Creary a well-known old resident, declares that Saturday afternoon as he was returning from Mexico to his home he had a good view of the queer being, who was about fifty yards ahead of him, walking in a leisurely way along the middle of the big road, in mud almost knee deep, his head still and his long black cloak flowing in the breeze.

At once, and in the twinkling of an eye, he disappeared in the thick woods as mysteriously as he came upon the scene. Mr. Creary says for the first time in all his life, although a soldier under General Grant, he was really frightened, and it was all he could do to control the horse he was riding, so great seemed its fear of the object.

Mr. Cyrus Haggert and wife, who were returning from church Thanksgiving eve, were surprised by the monster's peering with its cat-like eyes into their buggy and leaning against it, almost crushing the vehicle. The lady has not yet, it is said, recovered from the shock occasioned by the sight of the monster."

HC addendum.
Source: Magonia Exchange posting quoting the *Alton Illinois Telegraph* December 18, 1883.
Type: E

Location: Iochdar, Uist Islands, Scotland.
Date: 1884.
Time: 9-10:00 p.m.

"John MacPhee was standing at the end of the house at night when he heard a loud sound from the west, which seemed something like the sound of the sea breaking on the shore. He listened to it attentively to make out exactly what caused it. He saw a mass (small) as of men coming in a crowd from the west. He felt hot as if oppressed by the warm breath of many people.

He felt himself going away, being sped away with rapidity as he were riding a horse at furious speed, and he could feel the hair of his head brushed aside by the rapidity of his movement through the air.

He alighted on the ground only once and that would be for a minute or half a minute, and then he found himself in the Dalibrog graveyard in the space between the higher and lower graveyards. He had never been to the Dalibrog graveyard before. When he alighted the heat that oppressed him was gone and he felt himself freed. He looked around and he saw a man at his back with his back to him. He did not know him no speak to him. The 'dead' came again. He felt the heat and the hot breath again and was whisked away without any further incident till he was left at the spot from which he had been taken at the end of the house.

Dalibrog graveyard is about 17 miles from the house. The time he took in going to and fro was very brief. The pot for supper was on the fire when he went to the end of the house and when he went into the house it was being taken off the fire. He was not in the Dalibrog graveyard before but he has yet the liveliest picture of the two graveyards in his mind and he could place his foot on the spot where he alighted. He had been around 25 to 26 years of age. He felt the wind or rather air cold against his face. He had no fear of such an occurrence afterwards, though he could not help thinking about it, and he became thin and sickly looking after it."

HC addendum.
Source: *'Strange Things,'* John L. Campbell and Trevor H. Hall, 1968.
Type: G

Location: Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.
Date: January 9, 1884.
Time: Evening.

"Christian Couts, who resides along the public road leading to the romantic scones of Stone Creek, witnesses last evening about sunset in the sky the phenomenon of a colossal figure of a man with rigid features and outstretched arms, bearing an attitude visibly ominous. The witness of this strange spectacle is willing to qualify to the truth of his story. Mr. Counts, we might add, parenthetically, is a strictly temperate man."

HC addendum.
Source: *Huntingdon Pennsylvania Globe* January 10, 1884.
Type: E

Location: Astrakhan, Russia.
Date: March 27, 1884.
Time: Around midnight.



"According to the *Saint Petersburg Diary,* late at night a terrible thunder clap was heard in the area, similar to that of a powerful explosion. For a moment it was thought that it was part of an attack by local Nihilists against the military governor, Count De Ivanatieff. Troops from the local fort hastily occupied local churches and there was a moment of much confusion and fear.

The local populace also ran out into the streets afraid at what could had occurred, thinking that the time of the total destruction of Astrakhan was now at hand. Count De Ivanatieff at the head of his troops which number over 8,000 men attempted to reconnoiter the area around the city wall on the banks of the Volga near the Grand Catherine Canal which connects the city with Caspian Sea. A section of the wall was found to have been completely destroyed killing most of the guards posted at the site. And while Count De Ivanatieff and his soldiers surveyed the destruction another powerful detonation of an unknown source was heard.

Several seconds after this second explosion a powerful electrical storm enveloped the city which also terrified the population. It rained for 12 hours straight at times accompanied by powerful hail and immense thunderclaps, which also caused great additional damage to the city and the soldier's camps. Two additional detonations were then heard causing additional consternation among the troops and the populace. Powerful lighting was felt in the area for 3 hours straight. The Volga River crested and reached the walls of the city. The Caspian Sea also rose in volume flooding parts of the Catherine Canal and many parts of the city. For three days the city and surrounding areas remained underwater.

The strange part of the event was that the calamity was apparently caused by three huge 'aerolites,' one of which fell along the walls of the Catherine Canal, the second one on the Saint Vladimir Plaza and while being examined closely by the locals and soldiers it was found within it a 'strange mummy' very well preserved which

resembled a man of apparent ‘Japanese’ descent, difference being that it lacked a nose, having only what resembled a small bird’s beak.

It was reported that the color of its skin was green but it was not known if it was a result of the ‘embalming’ process. The ‘mummy’ was apparently naked and had what appeared to be strange markings or hieroglyphics resembling ancient ‘Mexican’ (Mayan?) script. The Emperor immediately ordered the mummy to be transported to the Saint Petersburg Museum for study. The two recovered aerolites are apparently still in the ground where they fell.”

HC addendum.
Source: Fabio Picasso, Magonia Exchange quoting *Star and Herald* Panama, Saturday July 5 1884, Vol. XXXVI Nr. 6958, translated from the *‘Bulletin Scientific de Montpelier.’*
Type: X
Comments: Is not known what ever happened to the supposed ‘mummy’ if this improbable tale is true. It could have been an early ‘recovery’ of an unknown artifact. Translated from the Spanish, by Albert S. Rosales.

Location: Near Benkelman, Dundy County, Nebraska.
Date: June 6, 1884.
Evening.

About 35 miles northwest of Benkelman, a very startling phenomenon occurred. It seems that John W. Ellis and three of his herdsmen and a number of other cowboys were out engaged in a roundup. They were startled by a terrific whirring noise over their heads, and turning their eyes, saw a blazing body falling like a shot to Earth. It struck beyond them, being hidden from view by a bank (ridge). One of the herdsmen, Alf Williamson was burned as he approached the craft, which had created a split in the ground as it dragged to a stop. He was taken back to Ellis' home and treated for his burns. E.W. Rawlins, the brand inspector for the district, came to inspect it.

The Nebraska State Journal reported on the event in 1887, saying, "One piece that looked like a blade of a propeller screw, of a metal of an appearance like brass, about 16 inches wide, three inches thick and three-and-a-half feet long, was picked up by a spade. It would not weigh more than five pounds, but appeared as strong and compact as any known metal.

A fragment of a wheel with a milled rim, apparently having had a diameter of seven or eight feet, was also picked up. It seemed to be of the same material and had the same remarkable lightness." The lack of physical evidence means there's nothing much left today, and John Buder, a field researcher with MUFON of Nebraska, said that the people of Dundy County shy away from talking about the event. Buder said, "The people who I would claim know the most have not identified it as a hoax."

HC addendum.
Source: John Wenz in UFO Casebook.com
Type: H?
Comments: Early UFO crash?

Location: Brante, Kemio, Finland.
Date: Circa 1885.
Time: Afternoon.

A young woman, mother of three, was picking berries in the forest when she saw something resembling a “kettle lock” on a small hill. Besides the “kettle” stood an elf like creature carrying something resembling an axe on his shoulder. Terrified, the young woman returned to the village. After a couple of hours she returned to the location with other villagers, but the “kettle lock” and the elf were gone. Her observation was told by her grandmother who is now 71 years old.
HC addendum.
Source: Mervi Virtanen, Finland.
Type: C?

Location: Hardin, Illinois.
Date: 1885.
Time: Midnight.

A ball of light with human features appeared to two very startled young fishermen around midnight one evening. The witnesses described the airborne anomaly as ‘a fireball with a human face,’ which flew through the darkened trees and shot up into the air where it hung motionless over Diamond Island. The story was dismissed, as stories of this nature often are, until a number of prominent townsfolk also came forward claiming to have witnessed a strange light in the sky.

HC addendum.
Source: B. M. Nunnelly, *‘The Inhumanoids: Real Encounters with Beings that can’t exist.’*
Type: E?

Location: Near Olney, Indiana.
Date: January, 1885.
Time: Afternoon.

Some hunters were startled a few days ago by the appearance of an uncouth, horrible-looking animal, south of the O. and M. Railroad Bridge over Fox River near Olney. They had killed but little game, and were consoling each other over their bad luck, when their attention was attracted by a noise to the top of a fallen tree, and looking up they beheld a monster such as they had never seen before.

They describe the beast as the ugliest looking animal they ever saw. Its head and face resembled that of a dark-skinned human, with a very large mouth full of sharp, fang-like teeth. Its neck was two or three feet long and covered with short red colored hair; its body was five or six feet in length, and was covered with scales and looked bright like those of a sunfish; its tail was three or four feet long and curved up over its back; its legs were short and the feet webbed, and the toes had long claws.

One of the hunters, who got too near in trying to throw a rope over its head, was struck by the animal's tail, and he tumbled headlong twenty feet away. The animal then made for the creek and disappeared. The beast had been devouring a hog. A party has been organized for the capture of this wild animal. The parties who describe it are good men and perfectly reliable.

HC addendum.
Source: B. M. Nunnelly, *'The Inhumanoids: Encounters with Beings that can't exist.'* quoting *The St. Louis Missouri Globe-Democrat* January 17, 1885 edition.
Type: E

Location: Kaluga, Russia.
Date: 1885.
Time: Unknown.

Konstantin Eduardovich Tsiolkovskiy, the famous Russian inventor, thinker and early theorist of space exploration reported seeing in the southern part of the sky not very high over the horizon, a very strange cloud shaped like "a very correct cross with 4 ends." After some time the strange cloud transformed right before the witness's eyes into the figure of a "sky man." According to Tsiolkovskiy's diary "the figure was remote, not larger, but hands, legs, body and head were clearly and distinctly visible; the strange figure was correct, irreproachable, like cut roughly from paper." The humanoid figure soon disappeared.

HC addendum.
Source: Vadim A. Chernobrov, *'Encyclopedia of UFO visits,'* Moscow, 2008.
Type: E

Location: Cape Breton, North Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada.
Date: 1885.
Time: Afternoon.

The fishermen of Gabarus have been excited over the appearance of a mermaid seen in the waters by some fishermen a few days ago. “While Mr. Bagnell, accompanied by several fishermen, was out in a boat, they observed floating in the surface of the water a few yards away, what they supposed to be a corpse. Approaching it for the purpose of taking it ashore for burial, they observe it to move, when to their great surprise it turned around in a sitting position and looked at them and disappeared.

A few moments after, it appeared at the surface and again looked toward them, after which it disappeared altogether. The face, head, shoulders and arms resembled those of a human being, but the lower extremities had the appearance of a fish. The back of its head was covered with long dark hair resembling a horse’s mane. The arms were shaped exactly like a human being’s except that the fingers on the hands were very long. The color of the skin was not unlike that of a human being. There is no doubt that the mysterious stranger is what is known as a mermaid, and the first seen in Cape Breton waters.

HC addendum.
Source: Cooperstown NY Otsego Farmer 1885 (date?).
Type: E

Location: Centerville, Long Island, New York.
Date: 1885.
Time: Various.

"After a rest of five years, a specter with a tongue of fire has reappeared on the old Centerville race course, just south of Woodhaven, and men and women congregate every night to witness the strange sight. His ghostship appears promptly at a quarter to ten o'clock and departs at twelve minutes after eleven. There is a dispute whether the ghost wears a robe of white or a garment more the color of sheep's wool.

But on one other point there is no disagreement; the ghost spits fire like a foundry chimney and leaves a sulfurous odor behind it. It moves along space like a feather in the wind going a zigzag course. At regular intervals it spits fire. Scores of persons have followed in its wake without getting close enough for personal contact, and all declare that when the ghost comes to stop, it invariably says, *'Whoa!'*"

HC addendum.
Source: http://mysteriousuniverse.org/2013/10/spring-heeled-jack-in-america/
Type: E

Location: Megalong Valley, Blue Mtns, New South Wales, Australia.
Date: 1885.
Time: Unknown.

It is said that a large 'saucer' craft landed in a paddock in Megalong Valley. Two farmhands approached it as two figures emerged from a door, dressed in what the men later called "diver's suits" (which was the nearest they could give for the strange garments worn by the beings). The beings each carried a silver rod which they pointed at the men and they were both immediately stunned. Taken on board they were placed in a dark room.

They were frightened but soon regained their mobility. The craft lifted off the ground and flew for some distance, for when it soon landed; in a paddock; a door slid open and they dashed out of the craft. It then silently rose over them and zoomed off to the northwest. The men discovered they were in the Bathurst district from a passerby. They also discovered afterwards that their entire bodies had turned reddish like sunburn, but their normal skin color alter returned.

HC addendum.
Source: Rex Gilroy, *'The Temple of Nim Newsletter,'* March, 2007.
Type: G

Location: Near South Canadian, Oklahoma.
Date: March, 1885.
Time: Various.

"The singular occurrence stated below is given by a Baptist minister now serving in the Indian Nation, as a strictly authentic ghost story. He says:

A few nights ago, Mr. J. W. Haller and Sanders Bolling, of South Canadian were out fire hunting. They saw about fifty yards from them what they supposed to be a deer's eyes. Mr. Haller drew up his gun to shoot. About the time he got on range of the supposed deer his gun went off accidentally, when the deer's eyes brightened up and made as much light as a headlight on an engine, and began to move off in a southerly direction.

He could see the light plainly for two and a half miles. It seemed to move at the rate of sixty miles an hour, and to fly through the air. He could see the tree-tops plainly, and saw a turkey roosting in a tree near him which he shot and killed. The turkey was yellow, something very uncommon for a wild bird.

Three days later Mr. William Chism saw in daylight what he supposed to be a deer near where Mr. Haller saw his fiery deer. Mr. Chism had a Winchester rifle and fired at the deer. To his surprise it began to light up as before. He fired eight or nine shots at it. He says that it looked like a brush-pile on fire, moved off rapidly and made a whistling noise as it went. Mr. Charles Pettit, a prominent merchant and Adams Express agent of this place, went up to turn out of his lot a pony he had been riding that day, about an hour after dark.

In the lot he saw what he supposed to be a deer. He returned to his store, got his gun, came back to the lot, fired at the supposed deer, and, to his surprise he shot his pony and killed it. He says when he fired at the deer he could see his pony in an opposite direction to the deer in a corner of the lot. This seems to be a ghost story, but every word of it is true.

Messrs.' Haller, Bolling, Pettit and Chism are all responsible and say they will go before any justice and take an oath that they saw this strange deer.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *Macon Telegraph* (Macon GA) March 21, 1885.
Type: E?
Comments: Did these men see a creature so out of the ordinary that the only thing they could compare it with was a fiery floating deer?"

Location: Tiskavilla near Davenport, Iowa.
Date: July 15, 1885.
Time: Early morning.

A man named Richardson lived on a small farm near this village. He was industrious and well-liked by his neighbors. On Wednesday of last week his youngest child, a daughter, ran screaming to a neighbor's before daylight, saying that a huge man, all covered with fire, had come into the house and carried off all but her. It was supposed that the house was on fire, and aid was quickly afforded, but the house was found to be all right.

Nothing at all was disturbed, but no one was about. The horse and buggy remained in the stable. The clothing left off by members of the family on going to bed was found where it had been left. The vicinity was thoroughly searched, but without avail. No train had stopped, and no water was near. It seemed as if the ground had opened and swallowed the family up.

A neighbor's family moved into the house to take care of the things and the child and was nearly scared to death the first night. They assert that suddenly the house was filled with a strange white light and the voice of Richardson was heard calling his daughter. She responded and instantly the light disappeared and a great shower of small stones fell upon the roof. The same scene has been enacted nightly since and the whole community is aroused. The child does not appear to be in the least alarmed at the voices.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Magonia Exchange project.
Type: G
Comments: Permanent abduction?

Location: East Moorestown, New Jersey.
Date: October, 1885.
Time: Night.

"There were reported sightings of an apparitional figure by trainmen and others near the East Moorestown station. On one occasion startled members of a train crew thought they had hit someone walking along the track, only to find no trace of the ostensible victim.

"Ignorant to this affair, Mrs. Cassidy, an intelligent lady of Moorestown, and her sister, walked over the track at this point a few nights after. She said yesterday, We were walking slowly along, and I was never thinking of ghosts. I suddenly cast my eyes to the right and cried out; *"Oh my! Look there. What is that?"* and my blood stopped in my veins and I was paralyzed with fear, for right in front of me stood a tall, thin figure, dressed in black, with a crape veil over its face. It could not have come in that door there and must have been nearly seven feet tall.

My sister said, *"Oh that is some window,"* but it suddenly whirled away with a whizzing noise like pheasants make when they rise and fly away. Then my sister was frightened and we both went down town. I met my brother and told him about it. He said we were cowards, but came back with us to the place we saw the ghost. It was quite light, as the moon was just breaking, through the clouds.

"When we arrived at the place my brother saw it too, and started to run after it, but it suddenly vanished. It did not seem to have any feet, and though I don't believe in ghost, it was the queerest looking thing I ever saw."

Tom Cassidy, Louis Certain, Tom Morany and William Budd, four incredulous citizens concluded to ferret out the mystery and bravely face the foe.

Friday night, after coming from their work on the railroad, they visited the haunted spot, determined to shoot the rascal who would penetrate such a humbug on the community. Tom Cassidy described their meeting with the ghost thus:

"We were walking along the road, not thinking of the thing just then, when a tall, thin form, too large to be a man, stood in front of us. It was dressed in woman's clothes and its face was craped. It wore something on its legs that looked like gum boots and its tall form swayed to and fro, like the boughs of trees when the wind blows through them, and made a similar noise. Louis Certain yelled out, *"My God what is that ghost?"*

Then Bill Budd drew a revolver, and he ran a square following it. He could not get nearer than ten yards to it, and when he thought he was gaining on it, it suddenly disappeared in the woods. The strangest part of the affair was that the ghost ran along the sandy road and when we afterward examined the road not a track or trace of one could be found."

William Budd said, “I am a very fast runner, but I couldn’t keep up to that thing. I don’t believe it is human, for it does not run like a man. I wanted to fire at it when it ran away from me, but the other fellows told me not to shoot, and then when I was going to draw the infernal thing disappeared. I never did believe in ghosts but that is one.”

One man said: “John Dargan’s horse saw it on the road, near Gillingham’s house, on Thursday night, and frightened at it. People say they cannot get a horse in Gilligham’s stable on account of it. Their house is empty and some think it stays there.” Isaac said he saw it come out of Gillingham’s yard and it looked like a man seven feet tall. He passed it and it disappeared, but he was certain it was not a human being.

The ghost has been seen at various times by different people along the track, and all bear testimony to its great size, its somber appearance and the whizzing noise it makes as it sails along. Large crowds have congregated to see the mystery, but it generally appears when only three or four are present.

Some of the citizens say that just two years ago a similar apparition clothed in white was seen at the same place. It manifested itself to a great many in the community and some think it but a reappearance of the old ghost, clothed in black.”

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *IUR*, summer 2003.
Type: E

Location: Lawrence, New York.
Date: December, 1885.
Time: Various.

"The people of Lawrence, an aristocratic quarter of recent creation near Far Rockaway, were mystified and puzzled by the appearance of "a specter" in the belfry of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Men gathered in dark places every night to observe the strange sight. It flirts about the belfry in the most nimble fashion, one time ascending to the apex of the steeple and at another executing a dance on the slanting roof. It plays hide and seek in the lattice work of the bell room, enlarging and decreasing in size according to the angle of observation.

A remarkable thing is that it never appears on a Sunday night. Every night scores of persons walk or drive to the vicinity of the Lawrence Church to verify it. Some of these declare that the specter has followed them home and hung around their residences for hours. Last Saturday night the strange figure was more than usually active, and scores of persons kept their eyes fixed on it until, benumbed by the cold, they were driven home. Half the village declares that at precisely ten o'clock the bell was tolled.

Immediately after the tolling, three hearty amens were heard, and then the specter flattened itself out on the roof. After a few minutes there was seen the liveliest skipping in and out of the lattice work, and then the phantom ran up and down the surface of the steeple, concluding by perching on the top, and disappearing in the direction of the graveyard."

HC addendum.
Source: http://mysteriousuniverse.org/2013/10/spring-heeled-jack-in-america/
Type: E

Location: Whispering Sands, Llyn Peninsula, North Wales.
Date: Between 1886 and 1890's.
Time: Morning.

Willie's mother, a widow, had attended to the cow, and done all the necessary chores attendant upon an impoverished smallholding in North Wales. On this particular morning this lady had given a catalogue of household tasks she had already completed to her son, for it was the annual Fair day in Pwllheli. She was about to catch the big breaks which came to collect people from outlying villages and hamlets for the fun of the Fair.

"Now Willie Bach," she said, *"I have done all this, you get the Broc-Mor (driftwood) as much as you can, as we are baking tomorrow. Now you have nothing else to do, so go you to the beach, and the woods and collect a big bundle."*

"All right Mam, don't worry, I will." Said the youth.

So Willie walked down from their little wooden bungalow which is in the hamlet of Saron above the Whistling Sands beach, whilst his mother walked to nearest village Aberdaron to board the "breaks" which was a type of fatan, horse and coach carriage.

Willie had collected a huge bundle of driftwood and stacked it where the woods met the beach, when he heard a funny noise coming from the Whistling Sands; he walked down on the sands and a huge black "thing" landed near him. Two little men 'dressed like doctors' came out of a door in it and walked toward him.

They were talking, but Willie could not understand a word that was said, "they were not big men mind, but they forcibly carried Willie to the craft, and took him in." Willie's mother returned from the Fair at 1700 and went into the house. "In them days mind, nobody shut their houses" in Wales, but no sound or sight of Willie bach. So she went down to the beach and found the huge bundle of driftwood neatly stacked at the edge of the woods, and just beyond a huge round circle, a depression, "a hole, you know," at this the mother thoroughly alarmed, walked to Aberdaron to fetch the village bobby (police).

She explained all the above, adding that Willie had not lit the fire, of prime importance in any 19th century home. So the Bobby returned with her to look all over, but by then the tide had come in and washed away the round holes. However, all the evidence pointed towards Willie having been drowned, but they would bide a while. Well, they did and after two weeks arrangements were being made for a Memorial Service for poor Willie, his mother having resigned herself for the loss of him.

A whole week after this she was cooking over the fire, when in walked Willie, *"Well now, Willie Bach where have you been? I was that upset, we looked everywhere."* He looked different, his hair was long, he was in a trance and he looked

rough. He said wearily, *"Look you Mam, I am very tired, I will tell you after I have had my naps,"* with that he sat down and fell asleep.

It wasn't till the next day that he told his mother about the wonders he had seen. He described how, 'they' had forcibly put him in their craft, and it had gone; *"strath up; not sideways, strath up and up."* Then they landed, he did not know where, but they took him immediately into a great big building, where they put him on a table and took something from him. They wouldn't have taken him there if they did not want something from him, would they? But everybody he saw there was smiling at Willie and they were more forward in everything; the colors of the place were amazing to him.

This story has been handed down in the family of Mrs. Edwards now living at Ruthin, but from the village of Aberdaron. She was an old lady of 87 years and she recalls her grandmother first telling her this story in 1914, so not long after that event. She is a typical village North Walian brought up in a rural area, so therefore having lead rather an insular life. She described how Willie had to put up with a lot of disbelief and ragging, until one evening when he was in a pub, and they were at it again, in walked a man from Aberdaron, and hearing this yarn being repeated yet again, said, "hang on a minute, I was too far away to see the craft on Saron beach, but I did see it rise up from that area from Aberdaron and go straight up into the sky."

HC addendum.
Source: Margaret-Ellen Fry *'Who are they?'* credit Margaret-Hainge Lloyd.
Type: G

Location: South Lochboisdale, Scotland.
Date: 1886.
Time: Night.

Hector MacIntyre of South Lochboisdale saw one evening bright with the moonlight two females ‘swimming’ in the air past him. They were erect and near the ground. It was shortly before Roderick Gillis’s death.

HC addendum.
Source: *‘Strange Things,’* John L. Campbell and Trevor H. Hall, 1968.
Type: E

Location: Near North Haven, Connecticut.
Date: January, 1886.
Time: Night.

North Haven a quiet village six miles from this city is excited over the appearance of a 'ghost.' It is described as about 3 feet in height, and wears a velvet suit and hat. Oliver McNulty, a laborer in Shears's brickyard, with four of his companions ran across the ghost a night or two ago. When they followed up a moving light, the next day the men happened to be near the same spot and again discovered the gnome.

McNulty struck it with his spade. He declares that he cut it in two, and that the severed parts reunited and the disappeared altogether. Old residents of the town say that they have seen it at different times for 30 years. McNulty's story is indorsed by the four men who were with him. The neighborhood is low, level, and damp and the *ignis fatuus* is frequently seen there.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill, Magonia Exchange quoting New York Times (1857-1922) January 12, 1886.
Type: E

Location: South Orange, New Jersey.
Date: July 12, 1886.
Time: Night.

South Orange has a spook. Several credible witnesses are sure that they have seen it. It hovers, the people say, around Ridgewood Road near Plunkett's lane and South Orange Avenue. I. H. Ball said that he saw it on Monday night but when he approached it, it dissolved into thin air. Michael Preston and James McNulty say that they saw a tall figure dressed in white in the same place as Ball says he saw it.

The Irish residents of South Orange say it is a banshee. An expedition consisting of about a dozen people who claim that they are not in the least superstitious started out last night for the purpose of surprising and capturing, if possible, the disembodied spirit. The spirit, however, was wide awake and didn't turn up, even at the witching hour of midnight. The search will be resumed tonight.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia groups list.
Type: E

Location: Holmes County, Ohio.
Date: October, 1886.
Time: Afternoon.

A party of hunters, who have just returned from a hunt in the hills of Holmes County, say they encountered a curious creature on their trip. According to their description a wild man or some other strange being is at large in Holmes County. The party who report seeing this strange creature claim that he or it looked like a man, but acted like a wild beast. The creature was encountered near a brushy thicket and willow copse near what is known as Big Spring, where General Buell rested on his march through Ohio, at a point a short distance south of the Wayne County line in Holmes County.

The hunters were beating the brush for pheasants when the attention of one of the party was attracted to an object that suddenly darted across an opening in the brush. Later on the object was again seen along the edge of the brush. By this time the hunters had reached open ground and were surprised to see what they describe as a man, entirely nude, but covered with what appeared to them to be matted hair. When seen he was some distance away, but on discovering the hunters started toward them on a run, and gave forth queer guttural sounds.

On seeing the strange being moving toward them the party of hunters, which included four persons all armed with shot guns, broke and ran. The strange creature pursued them for a short distance until the party had reached a public highway, when he turned back and was seen to enter Killbuck Creek, which he swam, and then disappeared in the brush again. On approaching the water he dropped on all fours and plunged like a dog, swimming like a canine. The hunters did not have the nerve to return, but got away from the place as soon as possible. They are emphatic in their assertion that they encountered a wild man, and describe him as above.

HC addendum.
Source: Hutchinson Kansas, *Hutchinson Daily News*, October 20, 1886. Type: E

Location: Near Maracaibo, Venezuela.
Date: October 24, 1886.
Time: Night.

During the night which was rainy and tempestuous, a family of nine sleeping in a hut was awakened by a loud humming noise and a vivid, dazzling light, which brilliantly illuminated the interior of the house. The occupants completely terror stricken, and believing as they relate, that the end of the world had come, threw themselves on their knees and commenced to pray, but their devotions were almost immediately interrupted by violent vomiting, and extensive swellings commenced to appear in the upper part of their bodies, this being particularly noticeable about the face and lips.

It is to be noted that the brilliant lights was not accompanied by a sensation of heat, although there was a smoky appearance and a peculiar smell. The next morning, the swellings had subsided, leaving upon the face and body large black blotches. No special pain was felt until the ninth day, when the skin peeled off, and these blotches were transformed into virulent raw sores. The hair of the head fell off upon the side which happened to be underneath when the phenomenon occurred, the same side of the body being, in all nine cases, the more seriously injured.

The remarkable part of the occurrence is that the house was not damaged, all doors and windows being closed at the time. No trace of lighting could afterward be found in any part of the building, and the sufferers unite in saying that there was no detonation, but only the loud humming already mentioned. Another curious attendant circumstance is that the trees around the house showed no signs of injury until the ninth day, when they suddenly withered almost simultaneously with the development of the sores upon the bodies of the occupants of the house.

HC addendum.
Source: Warner Cowgill, U.S. Consulate, Maracaibo, Venezuela, November 17, 1886.
Type: F?
Comments: It appears to have been some case of radiation exposure, but how? The fatal Brazilian 1946, encounter comes to mind.

Location: Scranton, Pennsylvania.
Date: November, 1886.
Time: Various.

"For more than a week timid and superstitious persons throughout the city have been kept in a constant state of trepidation by the appearance in various places and at unseasonable hours of an uncanny figure that is now quite generally spoken of as 'The Woman in Black." The weird visitor first made her appearance in the Pine Brook portion of the city, and was seen by two young women who were on their way home from a Saturday night "hop."

At a short distance from their homes, where the street is spanned by the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's track, the young women were stopped by the woman in black, who said nothing but assumed a menacing attitude toward them. The girls were terrified and started to run, but the woman in black overtook one of them and hugged her until she almost fainted. The other girl returned with help just in time, and the specter then disappeared like a flash.

Since then the woman in black has made her appearance in various parts of the city; mostly in the outskirts and in the early hours of the evening. Some of those who have seen her declare that she fired at them, and this having been reported to the police they are keeping a sharp lookout for the nocturnal disturber.

A few evenings ago a workman employed near the Lackawanna Iron and Coal Company's blast furnaces ran up to a group of his fellow-workmen and reported to them with bated breath and bulging eyes that he had just seen the woman in black, and that she was at that moment hiding in a lumber pile a short way from the bank of Roaring Brook.

Immediately there was a rush in that direction, and although it was rather dark several declared that they saw a female figure dressed in black emerging from the lumber pile and running toward the river. Thinking they would be able to capture it, some of the men followed in close pursuit, but when they were near the river bank the woman in black sprang over a precipice and disappeared in the cave of an abandoned mine. Then lamps were procured, and some of the men ventured into the cave and made diligent search, but could not find anybody hiding there. While this exciting chase was going on a large crowd of persons assembled on the bridge which crosses Roaring Brook at this point, and the pursuers of the woman in black were urged not to desist until they had hunted down their game.

The girls employed in the silk mill have, it is said, been frequently frightened within the past few days by this twilight visitor, whose queer antics have produced something like a panic in some portions of the city. It is believed by some that the woman in black is a crazy individual at large, who is taking this method of indulging a wild fancy, while the more superstitious are of opinion that it is a veritable ghost.

There are others yet who suppose that the "woman in black" is some evil-minded man who is masquerading in female attire for the purpose of frightening timid persons. Some men whose friends have been frightened by the specter are looking for the woman in black with revolvers, and will not hesitate to shoot in case they see anything like the apparition that has been described to them.

A mischievous young man named Farber tried to frighten a few of his friends in an alley in the Hyde Park portion of the city the other night by personating the woman in black, but he was promptly arrested by the police and held to bail for appearance at court. He confessed that it was his first appearance in the character, but he is rather fortunate that the police were first to find him or he might have been the principal character in a funeral.

The woman in black was seen again on Sunday night (November 7) near the silk mill by a number of girls, who were chased for some distance by her. whether the figure by a myth or a reality, it has caused a genuine sensation throughout the city and there are hundreds of persons who fear to venture out of their homes after dark lest they should meet the woman in black."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Magonia Exchange quoting *Columbus* (Georgia) *Daily Enquirer* November 12, 1886.
Type: E

Location: North of Moosehead Lake, Maine.
Date: November 8, 1886.
Time: Unknown.

The Waterville Sentinel has the following, which, if not told by the Sentinel, we should regard as Munchausenism: "Three men were camping out in the woods about one hundred miles north of Moosehead Lake. Two of the campers were away from the camp for a week and came back to find the dead body of their companion.

They went for help, and, re-enforced by a dozen others, searched the woods for the unknown murderer. It proved to be a terrible wild man, ten feet in height, with arms seven feet in length, covered with long, brown hair. The party fired several shots into him, and finally succeeded in reaching a vital spot, laying the monster low."

HC addendum.
Source: Eau Clair (WI) *Eau Clair Weekly Free Press*, November 11, 1886.
Comments: Unfortunately there is no information as to what happened to the body of the supposed 'monster.'
Type: X

Location: Near Cobblestone Mountain, California.
Date: April, 1887.
Time: 2:00 a.m.

Two young prospectors were simultaneously awakened by the noise of crackling brush that had been thrown on the fire. They arose to a sitting posture and saw the figure of an Indian woman standing by the fire. She was dressed in a robe of gaily colored material that almost reached to her feet. A glistening necklace, evidently of gold and silver, enriched her neck and hanging pendant from this was a number of bear's claws. Her black hair reached below her waist.

In her ears were large hoop earrings of gold. Upon seeing the form one of the young men instinctively reached for his rifle by his wide while the other stared in amazement at seeing such a sight in the dead of night and thirty miles from any house.

When the figure saw the motion made to reach the rifle she motioned for them not to fire and moved down the trail, beckoning them. Before disappearing from view she again beckoned to them, but they were too dumbfounded to follow. The next morning they followed the trail and after much difficulty traced the footprints to the base of a high cliff about a mile from their camp.

So the next night they took their blankets and went to the base of the cliff. At about midnight, the same hour the figure appeared to them, they saw a bright phosphorescent light on the brown of the cliff, and they were sure they heard a voice calling, *"Meeneeah! Meeneeah!"* Several times.

HC addendum.
Source: John Brent Musgrave quoting the *Calgary Alberta Tribune,* April 8, 1887.
Type: E?
Comments: Apparitional entity?

Location: Melo, Norway.
Date: Late May, 1887.
Time: Afternoon.

A strange aerial phenomenon was seen at the Vandmo farm, according to what is written in “Verdens Gang,” At a height of about 20 meters from the ground, could be clearly seen a man of middle height, wearing a scarlet sweater, gray trousers, large boots, and a sou’wester on his head, neatly folded at the neck.

His arms were outstretched and holding in one a herring net and a hammer and on the other, so far as could be discerned, a “Laksenot” (is a type of fishing gear for salmon) with associated rods. The figure was visible for 5 minutes, thus everyone at the farm was able to witness thereto and confirm this apparently unprecedented aerial phenomenon.

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braene in Magonia Exchange quoting *Verdens Gang* Oslo, May 24, 1887.
Type: E?

Location: Near Milan, Tennessee.
Date: July 17, 1887.
Time: Evening.

On last Saturday evening at about sundown, on the Sterling Johnson place, two and a half miles southeast of Milan, six angels were seen to fly down into the yard of Mrs. Wood a widow. It seems that Mrs. Wood was very low with sickness and several ladies were present attending to the wants of the sick, when a noise in the yard attracted their attention.

Upon looking out of the window they saw an angel and in a moment more it was joined by five others. They were there only for a few minutes and took their flight, flying straight up until lost to view. They, with the exception of wings, were in the form and shape of man, with clear cut and finely formed features, and were clothed in garments of pure and spotless white, while a halo of heavenly light encircled their heads. The above was told to us as the truth and can be vouched for by the ladies who were in attendance upon Mrs. Wood. Be that as it may, it has created considerable excitement in that neighborhood.

HC addendum.
Source: *The News,* Tuskegee, Macon County, Alabama, October 6, 1887. Nr. 21 also *Mississippi Folklore Register* Vol. 5, winter 1971, No. 4.
Type: E

Location: Near Hawesville, Kentucky.
Date: December 10, 1887.
Time: Afternoon.

An immense balloon was observed sailing over this city Saturday afternoon at a great height and was in view for a long while, when it began rapidly descending. Yesterday it was found in an old swamp about ten miles south of Hawesville. There was also discovered the emaciated remains of a man who had evidently been emptied from the basket several yards from where the airship had fallen.

It is the theory that the aeronaut was already dead before the balloon reached the earth as no serious bruises were found upon his body. No papers or evidence has been found to indicate who the unfortunate man can be.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting the *Kansas City Times* (Kansas City Missouri) December 14, 1887.
Type: X

Location: Near Boyd, Wisconsin.
Date: March, 1888.
Time: Night.

Several men working at Kennedy's mill reported seeing a "ghost" like apparition on a logging road near the landing and that it walks up and down the road, following whoever happens along at that time. One of the men quit his job. The other men have been too afraid to approach the figure closer. The "ghost" is always dressed in white and appears small, the form of a small woman.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Magonia Exchange, quoting *Stevens Point* (Wisconsin) *Journal*, March 17, 1888.
Type: E

Location: Near Jackson, Mississippi.
Date: June, 1888.
Time: Various.

"In going over my plantation a few days ago I saw some cow tracks, says a correspondent of the Jackson (Mississippi) Argus. The tracks were in a place, strange to say, that a cow could not possibly have gotten into. Moved by curiosity I followed the tracks, and directly I came upon a… I don't know whether you would call it a wild man or a beast. It had hoofs like a cow, hair like a cow, a short tail something like a deer, hands like a man and extra-large eyes. It walked like a man bent half forward. On getting a scent of me it gave a peculiar whistle like a deer, raised its head, and dashed away. I was greatly excited, but as soon as I recovered sufficiently I went to see my neighbor, Joe Wright.

He asked me not to say anything about it, as he thought he could get a large steel trap with wings like a partridge net for $100 and catch the creature. In case this plan failed Mr. Wright said he would offer a $500 reward for it alive, or $150 for its hide. Mr. Wright already circus wagon and says that if he could get this curiosity our fortune would be made. Neighbor Wright is a married man and didn't move fast enough for me, for honestly I am afraid to move about my premises.

I went to Marshall Malone, but he didn't give me much encouragement. Then I went to Marshall Coon. He said he was "no detective" and did not consider it his business to tackle a wild man in the woods, but if it came to town and cut up any devilment he would carry it before the mayor. I spoke to the sheriff about it and he said he would do all in his power to capture it and with this objet in view he ordered a fine bloodhound.

He wants 150 men to meet him in Jackson on the fourth Sunday in this month but as far myself, I am doing to stay at neighbor Ball's till that animal is either caught or run out of the country. I think it will be very dangerous for black folks to gather blackberries until it is caught or kill."

HC addendum.
Source: The *Omaha Daily Bee*, Omaha Nebraska, Sunday, June 24, 1888.
Type: E?

Location: Near Marietta, Georgia.
Date: August, 1888.
Time: Afternoon.

"While a number of Negroes were working in a cotton field near here, they were terribly alarmed by an object that was rapidly descending upon them. They rushed to and fro in the wildest consternation. A little later it fell almost in their midst and prove to be a "balloon." As it came down a man jumped from it. He gesticulated wildly but could only utter a strange gibberish.

He was taken charge of by Mr. Lyman the owner of the plantation. Nothing can ascertain from him as to where he is from or his name. He is doubtless 'insane.' He is a man of small stature, swarthy complexion and peculiarly dressed in a close silk shirt and buckskin trousers. Every effort will be made to discover who he is. People from all parts of the country are flocking to see him."

HC addendum.
Source: Chris Aubeck, *'Return to Magonia,'* and Jonny Ole Braene quoting *Oshkosh Daily Northwestern* August 18, 1888 .
Type: B or H?
Comments: No additional information is available on this interesting account.

Location: Near Humboldt Line, Tennessee.
Date: Winter 1888.
Time: Various.

"The grandfather of James C. Wyatt reportedly stated that while he and several cowhands were staying with an Indian tribe during the winter following the delivery of cattle to a nearby fort, the grandfather communicated with the Indians via sign and verbal language. He was led into a hidden cave and there he saw a hairy man-like creature. The being was neck less, long armed, and covered with long, shiny black hair.

The only apparently hairless parts were around its eyes and the palms of the hands. The being appeared tamed and sat with its legs crossed as it consumed the meat, which was brought by the Indian. "Crazy Bear," as the creature was called by the Indians, was fed at regular intervals by the Indians, that stated that such creatures came from "moons" which periodically land in a nearby valley.

The Indians claim that over the years, many "Crazy bears" had been left in the woods, put there by the "sky people." The "sky people" appear different than the hairy giants, resembling Indians, but with short hair and shiny clothes."
HC addendum.
Source: Brad Steiger, *'Mysteries of Time and Space.'*
Type: E or C?

Location: Tellets Woods, Isle of Man, England.
Date: Winter 1888 or 1889.
Time: Afternoon.

John Radcliffe, of Sulby, was shooting in Tellets Wood when he saw two little figures of very diminutive proportions, peering at him from behind at tree. He thought at first they were the children of a man who was cutting timber further up the wood, and he took no more notice of them. On getting up to the man, he asked him who the children were and the man said he could not tell. He had been working most of the day and saw no children in the wood. Radcliffe said the figures were very small and appeared to be clothed in some brown material.

HC addendum.
Source: A. M. Crellin, *'Manx Folklore, Fairy legends customs and superstitions.'*
Type: E

Location: Near New Brunswick, New Jersey.
Date: November, 1888.
Time: Various.

"In one region of New Jersey the farmers did something else besides giving thanks today. It was in the country surrounding the Great Bear Swamp, a wild and desolate region, about 15 miles west of New Brunswick. For some weeks past an unknown and mysterious animal has been ravaging the poultry yards and sheep pens thereabouts, and even carrying off an occasional pig. Wild cats are known to exist in that part of the state, but the biggest and wildest of them could hardly carry away a sheep or hog. So the time was ripe for stories of a mysterious monster, and when they came, eager and ready listeners were not lacking.

Farmer Peter Dolan started the ball rolling by recounting how a year ago he had seen a misshapen beast, seemingly half human and half brute, which had terrorized the surrounding country. Then William Simpson, who had a pig taken out of a pen, told how he found the half munched bones of the porker lying in the woods. Near the bones were huge and irregular tracks indicating that the same wonderful beast had been the thief. That same day his hired man ran into the house declaring that he had seen a big black monster in the cornfield, about twice the size of a sheep and wearing horns. The neighbors, nearly all of whom had suffered more or less accepted the farm hand's story as gospel truth. The greatest terror prevailed and all the doors were barricaded after nightfall, and all the stock securely locked in the barns. After the snow of last Saturday and Sunday many declared they had seen strange and curious tracks in the woods, and so the couple resolved to devote Thanksgiving Day to tracking the mysterious monster to its lair.

So from all about the great swamp today the men gathered with their shotguns and plenty of ammunition. They hunted high and low, but never a beast they saw. All the afternoon it was kept up and well into the afternoon. Great things were expected, but all that fell were a few rabbits, and the great monster still lies in his lair. Meanwhile the farmers are wondering whether the strange monster will reappear. If he doesn't strike out for some new part of the country, they say they can surely hunt him down when winter sets in, for then, Great Bear Swamp will be frozen over and valiant hunters will be able to penetrate its most hidden wilds."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia Exchange quoting the *Boston Daily Globe*, November 30, 1888.
Type: E

Comments: Even though the media apparently did not take the events seriously it appears to be a type of early Chupacabra type creature attacks.

Location: Near Paris, Texas.
Date: September 16, 1889.
Time: Evening.

"What the Greely party and a host of Arctic explorers have vainly sought to learn; whether or not animal and vegetable matter exists at the North Pole, has at last been discovered. Floating vegetation has brought the theory that there was a climate in the Arctic regions where such matter grows. Not only has the theory been proven correct, but we now know human beings in an advance state of civilization inhabit this region.

It will be remembered that on the 16th of last month Dr. J.M. Stephens an eminent physician of Paris, sighted a balloon about ten miles north of here drifting in the clouds. His report created no little excitement at the time, as no one knew of its ascension or has since heard of its sighting. The fact was widely telegraphed by the newspaper reporters of Paris. The *News* correspondent had not thought of the circumstance for several days until the Frisco came in today from the Indian Territory

John Stokes, a reliable citizen of the Choctaw Nation was one of the passengers. He lives between the Kiamshi River and Seven Devils Mountains. The reporter has known him for some time, having frequently met him at Decatur, in this state in the years 1886 and 1887.

"Here, you newspaper men are always after news. I can give you some," he said, striking the reporter on the shoulder. He was too excited for introductory remarks.

"You see that don't you!" he continued, as he produced three pieces of gold from his pocket. They were about three inches long and round, being off different sizes. They were very plain, except that the smallest had one and the other two three and then indented circles in them. "This money," he said, "came from the dumbest looking people you ever saw. On the 16th of last month they hit close to my house in a balloon; looked like they were about starved. This is some of the money they gave me and my wife for some provisions. They had 'scandoodles' of gold. Hereupon he was plied thick and fast with questions, and the following is the summary of the many things he had to say:

It was about dinner time, and he was standing in his door at the house when he saw the balloon some distance off. He watched it till it came down about 100 yards from him and he at once ran to it. Four men stepped out of a very large wooded car or swinging room enclosed on all sides. It was about 10x12 feet. The queer people saluted him by bowing and, began talking in a language which he could not understand; whereupon they put their hands to their mouths indicating they were hungry and thirsty, and at the same time produced several pieces of this gold, which they held toward him.

He gave them something to eat and drink, which they consumed with satisfaction. They communicated with hand signs and pointed to the north as they place they came from. They invited him into their airship which contained some queer instruments, maps,

stools and places where they had stored provisions. The room had three windows and one door. The windows were covered with some transparent material which looked like hide of a very fine texture. The balloon which was two thirds inflated and was supported by three long rods reaching from top to the ground and seemed to be made of the same material.

The men were dressed in heavy coats and had their hair trained to stand straight and was trimmed in the shape of a cube the shortest part being about an inch long. They were below of average size and of very light complexion. Their hair and eyes were black. He tried to persuade them to remain longer, but about 3 o'clock in the evening they took something that looked much like rosin, which they burned under a funnel-shaped concern. The balloon soon became fully inflated and was ready but not before he obtained one of the smaller maps, which he had with him.

Had the reporter not know Stokes to be an honest and sturdy man, he many have doubted the story, but the queer coins and chart and her to show for themselves. The latter leaves no room to believe that the thing was created by Stokes as it is on an unknown material and finely executed; the letters and names on the chart are evidently of Grecian origin. A few of the former are identically the same as Greek letters. A comparison of it with a map of the Arctic regions shows that the men are from the North Pole, and had some knowledge of the country further south Kennedy's channel, Peabody Bay and Smith Sound are plainly indicated here. The outlines where the maps breaks off shows they had a vague idea of Baffin Bay.

Stokes will make an affidavit to his story, and at the News reporter request will carefully preserve the coins and map as being of rare scientific value."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia list quoting *Hartford* Connecticut *Daily Courant* from letter to Galveston, Texas News.
Type: B?

1890-1899

Location: Logansport, Indiana.
Date: Early 1890's.
Time: Afternoon.

A young woman was taking food to her father and grandfather working the fields all day as she did every day. She would take a horse and cart out to where they were working, have lunch, then come back home. On this particular day, she could not find her father, or grandfather. She then heard them yelling at her to get inside the woods nearby and hide.

She complied and that's where they began telling her that they have been watching some sort of flying machine that didn't make any sort of noise flying around the field. They supposedly watched little people get out of the craft and take pieces of corn and soil, and then they flew away. The uncle and father had been hiding in the woods for some time afraid to leave.

HC addendum.
Source: MUFON CMS also http://www.examiner.com/article/indiana-woman-finally-reveals-old-family-secret-about-landed-ufo-with creatures
Type: B

Location: Perthori, Arcadia, Greece.
Date: 1890.
Time: Unknown.

Lambros Pafilias encountered a “red dwarf” with “cat-like eyes.” He ran away but the creature chased him, and when it approached him, it jumped on his shoulders and stayed there for some time. A painful blister appeared later on the lower lip of the witness, which was cured after a very long time.

HC addendum.
Source: Nikolaos Politis, *‘Traditions.’*
Type: E

Location: Creagerstown, Maryland.
Date: 1890.
Time: Various.

A bizarre creature called the “Jabberwok” by locals was reported roaming the area. It was described as being lizard-headed, humpbacked, long tailed, and web-footed. Tracks were also found.

HC addendum.
Source: Mark Opsasnick.
Type: E

Location: Newcastle, Wyoming.
Date: 1890.
Time: Unknown.

William C. Lamb reportedly encountered in a remote area a seven-foot tall being, human like and wearing a green sweater and having shoulder length blond hair. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Donald B. Hanlon, *'The Humanoids.'*
Type: E
Comments: The witness was involved in other encounters and was considered an early "Contactee."

Location: Cornwall, England.
Date: 1890.
Time: Unknown.

Two farmers reported seeing an elongated object flying over some fields. Several of what appeared to be dwarf-like beings were seen at some controls. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Marcus Day, *'Aliens: Encounters with the Unexplained.'*
Type: A

Location: Battleford, Saskatchewan, Canada.
Date: 1890.
Time: Unknown.

A Professor Bradley reported “a mighty silver disk, darting up and down and which way, shedding little silver disks and some red.” Further incidents were mentioned in which small occupants fitting the humanoid type were reported. No additional details on that.

HC addendum.
Source: Palmiro Campagna, *‘The UFO Files: The Canadian Connection.’* Type: C?

Location: Deerness, Orkney Islands, England.
Date: Summer 1890.
Time: Various.

All this time there was a series of sightings of a “creature” that came to be known as “the Deerness Mermaid.” A regular visitor to Newark Bay in Deerness, the mermaid went on to achieve considerable fame, with hundreds of eyewitnesses swearing to the validity of their encounters. From documented reports, it appears that the mermaid stayed some distance from the shore, so exact details are vague. But one account does provide a good description of a sighting and, as you will see, it was a far cry from the archetypal storybook mermaid:

“It is about six to seven feet in length, has a little black head, with neck, a snow white body and two arms, and in swimming it just appears like a human being. At times it will appear to be sliding on a sunken rock, and will wave and work its hands.”

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.orkneyjar.com.com/folklore/mermaids.htm
Type: E

Location: Mullingar, Westmeath County, Ireland.
Date: Summer 1890.
Time: Various.

A leprechaun type entity sometimes described as about the size of a doll, perfectly formed, with a “quaintly” shaped head with large bat-like ears, a “sweet little mouth” and bright brown eyes, wearing all red, reportedly caused great excitement in the country as it had been appearing to the school children and country folk. All attempts to catch it were in vain, as it always vanished when any one came close to it.

HC addendum.
Source: The Fairy Investigation Society.
Type: E

Location: Algoma, Wisconsin.
Date: Circa winter 1890.
Time: Midnight.

In the area of the northern settlements and lumber camps one winter a person of fabulous height, enveloped in a long black cape, walked through a street of West Algoma every night at midnight, continuing on past the end of the sidewalk, and on into the blackness. He walked with a slow measured tread, and apparently with the aid of a cane.

He walked for exactly one and one half hours, and never varied the time of his coming or departure. One of the older boys of the village chanced upon "him" one night. They boy was terrified as he saw that the face was absolutely colorless, and had no expression whatsoever. Further than that the boy was unable to describe him.

HC addendum.
Source: Robert E. Gard and L. G. Sorden, in Wisconsin Lore.
Type: E
Comments: This entity somehow reminds me of the enigmatic character in Stephen King's novel, *'The Storm of the Century,'* cane and all.

Location: Near Salisbury, North Carolina.
Date: October, 1890.
Time: Night.

While out possum hunting Abe Harbin heard noises ahead of him and his dogs came running back with their tails between their legs. He then heard growling noises and saw huge shiny eyes which were nearly 2 feet apart. But not having anything but an axe, and hearing the persistent growl, Abe left with his dogs a hundred yards ahead of him. Days later Reuben Holmes reportedly approached some kind of creature that let off a frightening scream.

Holmes hid in a nearby house until morning. The next witness was Mr. Adam Lentz caught a strange glimpse of strange bipedal creature 'almost as big as a cow.' One Monday night the strange creature visited the house of two widowed ladies, and one of them, a Mrs. Cozarts screamed, as the creature reared up against the door and growled. Her screams woke up neighbors, as they opened the door the 'varmint' sprang up and almost stuck its claws on a neighbor's face, her husband armed himself with a gun but the creature was lost from sight before he could fire at it.

Opinions differ as to what it looked like, some saying it looked like a bear others that it was spotted and still others that it was striped. Apparently armed groups of citizens failed the capture the 'animal.'

HC addendum.
Source: *The Carolina Watchman* (Salisbury North Carolina) October 9, 1890.
Type: E?

Location: Vacherie, Louisiana.
Date: 1891.
Time: Unknown.

Local resident Frederick Kliebert who was "well known and respected in the community" reported encountering a giant in the nearby swamp forest. He was greatly surprised when he saw approaching and passing within 15 steps of him a huge man of around nine feet in height, covered by a long black beard. He wore a kind of cloak of fur of a brownish color which seemed to be attached only by a rope around the neck. The rest of his body was naked and was covered with red hair. Mr. Kliebert asked him who he was and where he was from three times but the giant gave him no response and then continued his fast walk with a sad and serious look towards the west. Tracks 23 inches long were found.

HC addendum.
Source: May Ann Sternberg in *'Along the River Road, Past and Present on Louisiana's Historic Byway,'* 1996 quoted in: http://www.bigfootencounters.com
Type: E

Location: Deux Rivieres, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
Date: April 18, 1892.
Time: 10:30 p.m.

"A strange phenomenon was observed in the heavens on the night of Monday, the 18th by four members of the family of one of our villagers. About 22:30 on the night in question the gentleman referred to, when preparing for bed, noticed in the part of the heavens where the planet Venus is situated at present, a curious illumination, at first appearing like a vapory cloud, but afterwards seeming to take the shape of a group of human figures, who seemed to be moving about in an illuminated space in the firmament. After watching the strange sight for some time he called his wife and two daughters, who had already retired, and they all watched the strange appearance until about midnight when it finally disappeared.

The figures had all the appearance of human beings rather indistinctly seen. Were the parties who witnessed the strange sight people of a superstitious turn of mind, one might assume that imagination had a good deal to do with it, but they are far from being such. The only solution the writer can hazard to account for the phenomenon is that it was a case of mirage, representing some driver's camp on one of the small streams which flow into the Ottawa River, as there are usually plenty of them at this time of the year. No doubt some folks who are superstitiously inclined will arrive at a very different conclusion to the above."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *the Ottawa Journal* (Ottawa, Ontario, Canada) 25 April, 1892.
Type: E

Location: Near Georgetown, Texas.
Date: December, 1892.
Time: Various.

"A young farmer named Martin, living near Georgetown, recently had an exciting encounter with a mysterious wild woman, who has been terrorizing the people in the vicinity for some time past. Martin lives in the San Gabriel River bottoms and after a day's labor in the cotton field started homeward. He was crossing a stretch of dense woodland near the river when he suddenly came upon the strange creature which has stirred up this community.

The woman was entirely devoid of clothing and was down on all fours greedily devouring the tender grass and cactus buds. Martin watched her from behind a clump of bushes for a few minutes and finally decided to attempt her capture. He had a stout twine string in his pocket, with which he expected to bind her hands securely. Having laid his plans, he crept stealthily up behind the woman. He made a spring for her and grabbed her by the foot.

The wild creature upon being taken by surprise went into a terrible rage and fought like a demon. According to Martin's story the battle was a terrific one while it lasted. He bears deep wounds on his face and arms which he claims were caused by the woman's teeth and finger nails. She made no outcry during the encounter, and after freeing herself she darted into the underbrush. Martin's description of the strange woman tallies with that given by the various reliable citizens of the place who saw her in the same neighborhood previously. She is of splendid form about nineteen years of age and has long raven black hair, which is badly matted and tangled, giving her a weird appearance.

There are a number of spacious caverns along the San Gabriel River, and it is believed that the woman makes her home in one of these caves. When she was seen by William Sellers and another boy she was in the woods feeding on grass."

HC addendum.
Source: *Taranaki Herald* Vol. XLI issue 9570, December 12, 1892.
Type: E

Location: Rhinebeck, New York.
Date: December, 1892.
Time: Various.

"You have heard the story as (Washington) Irving tells it of the headless horseman who spread consternation through Sleepy Hollow. This is a story of a mysterious woman in black who is exciting as much fear among the people of this peaceful village, sixty miles further up the beautiful valley, as did Irving's ghost.

It is the story of a strange creature that glides noiselessly along the country roads at dead of night. She has never been known to address anybody, although she has met many. Her language is the language of signs. She invariably halts long enough to stretch out her long arm from beneath a black veil and make a hissing noise. She might say more if any one hesitated long enough to give her the chance, but nobody has tarried as yet. This strange apparition is described by those who have seen it as a thin woman, at least six feet four inches tall, with a slight stoop and a long stride.

HER FIRST APPEARANCE.

The woman in black, as the apparition is known, first made her appearance in Rhinebeck about six weeks ago. She had been parading the streets of the villages just north of Poughkeepsie for several nights prior to that time, and the people of Rhinebeck thought she was a myth. John Judson, who lives in Chestnut Street, was the first to behold her here. As he was going home late one night he heard a noise in Walter W. Shell's front yard. He looked around and was startled to see a tall black object standing perfectly still.

Judson hurried home and arrived there in a cold sweat. The next day the news was all over Rhinebeck. The women and children shivered and the men laughed, but that same night as David Ackert, one of the best known businessmen in the village, was going home he met the black robed object in Main Street. Ackert is six feet tall himself, and he says he had to look up at the woman. She shrank from him with a hissing sound, he declares, and he passed on without saying a word or again looking around.

SOLID TESTIMONY.

Davis (spelling in original) Ackert's word is as good as an affidavit in Rhinebeck. "I wasn't scared boys," he said to a group of listeners the next day, "but I felt a shivering sensation, for she was so tall and slim and piratical looking."

The four village constables; Bill Sleight, John Hebb, George Wheeler and Murray Dederick and Night Watchman Seneca Talladay heard Ackert's story and vowed to capture the creature that very night. But the woman discreetly kept off the highways, and was not seen the following night either. Thomas Sinclair was the next reliable person to encounter the strange woman. He met her on the outskirts of the village about ten

o'clock at night. She was pacing in the middle of the road with her head bent low and her long arms clasped behind her. He merely took one look.

Next James Traster met the mysterious creature in a side street about ten o'clock one night. He did not stop and speak to her because, as he says, he didn't think of it until after she had disappeared. He is a tinsmith, and one of Rhinebeck's most reliable citizens. Things have been running along in this way ever since. No one has taken advantage of his opportunity to address the woman, and no one, so far as I can learn, has deliberately set about an investigation.

WHAT A WOMAN DID.

The first woman to see the black apparition was Miss Florence Welch, the pretty young teacher at Miller's school, a mile and a half from here. Miss Welch dismissed her scholars at four o'clock on last Thursday (December 22) and then went to call on Mrs. Herman Asher, who lives on a farm nearby. She remained there until shortly after five o'clock, when she started to walk home. It was about dusk as she passed her school house and she glanced through the window. There sat the woman in black on one of the benches.

Miss Welch remembered distinctly that she had locked the school house door. She did not stop to see if it had been opened, but ran for her life. She is sure she was not laboring under a delusion. Nathaniel Post, who works for Frank Kern, went to Rhinecliff on Saturday evening to meet Mrs. Kern.

In the flats, while they were driving home, the woman in black suddenly sprang into the middle of the road. Post pulled up the horse and asked Mrs. Kern to hold the reins while he jumped out to fathom the mystery. Mrs. Kern was too frightened to give her consent and the woman scaled the fence and stared across the meadow. Charlie Martin, who carries the mail on the eastern post route from Rhinebeck, met the woman in almost the same place on the following night.

A SHOT AT THE SHADOW.

Robert Shriver, the village blacksmith, who had been spending last Saturday evening with friends in Rhinecliff, started for Rhinebeck at ten o'clock. In the outskirts of the village she saw a tall black object standing beside the roadway. He didn't stop to give warning, but drawing his pistol fired three shots at it. It was the woman in black and she ran across the meadow.

The next day was Sunday, and the villagers had a good chance to discuss the subject of the intruder. Several of them decided to ask ex-Constable Gus Quick to go to work on the case.

He hesitated and still hesitates, but he told me tonight that he "guessed" he would take up the matter and if he did would soon get to the bottom of it. "I won't stand any monkey business," he said. I've got my suspicions. Of course they are merely suppositions and are based on what I think, but when it comes to a thing of this kind I usually think pretty near right. Now, I have thought that this woman in black was no

woman at all. I had an idea that she was a boy got up to frighten people. We have several boys in this village who are just about her height."

AN ALERT.

"I cross-questioned 'em pretty closely and I thought I had hit the nail on the head, but darn if one of the villagers didn't come in just then and shout 'she's been seen not more than ten minutes ago on the river road.' Of course my suspicious persons had proved an alibi without saying a word."

Every resident of Rhinebeck is perfectly satisfied that the woman in black is a reality, but not one of them can think of who she can be. There is nobody near here who answers the description of the mysterious creature and there is no family that harbors any crazy person. The nearest asylum is at Poughkeepsie, sixteen miles away, and no lunatic has escaped from that institution. To add to the mystery the strange creature is never seen abroad in the daylight and no one has stumbled upon her in any hiding place."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia Exchange quoting *New York Herald* December 31, 1892 (by telegraph to the *Herald*).
Type: E

Location: (Undisclosed location) New South Wales, Australia.
Date: 1893.
Time: Unknown.

At an isolated farm area a farmer watched a metallic saucer-shaped object land on his property. A man wearing a strange silvery outfit came out, pointed something resembling a flashlight at the farmer that apparently knocked him senseless.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *Strange* magazine #10.
Type: B

Location: Sunbury, North Carolina.
Date: 1893.
Time: Unknown.

A loud noisy disk crash landed in a sand pit; it shook the ground and sent the farm animals running in fear. The locals thought the disk was something used by the government to locate moonshine operations in the area. The disk left a huge hole in the sand and part of the disk was visible and still intact.

The locals covered the hole with sand because they didn't want the government looking around, since moonshine was a very important part of the local "industry." For at least 75 years after the crash there were magnetic disruptions, such as compasses going crazy, tractors starting without turning the crank, people becoming dizzy and falling to their knees and also birds flying around in circles apparently disoriented and also reported "vision distortions," like someone looking that they were farther away than they were really. People reportedly stopped talking about it the 70's.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.ufoevidence.org/sightings
Type: H?
Comments: Reputed to be a local folk tale, but most folk tales have a factual source of events.

Location: Near Warwick, New York.
Date: Late May, 1893.
Time: Late afternoon.

"About ten miles from here says a Middletown N.Y. letter to the St. Louis Republic, is the pretty little town of Warwick. It is in the Warwick Valley, and on every side the mountains loom up around it. At present the townsfolk are greatly wrought up over the alleged appearance of a devil to four men at the same time.

As a result these four men are prostrated, and three hunting hounds who had the misfortune to be with their masters at the time refuse to eat or drink and lie in their kennel all day whining. The four men are George Springer, Code Smith, Dave Green and Dory Tomer, all eminently respectable men who have spent their lives in the mountains and have reputations for nerve and veracity.

Parts of the Warwick Mountains are, barring the wild beasts, as wild as African jungles. Last Sunday afternoon, Smith, Green, Tomer and Springer accompanied by three hounds went out to do a little hunting. It was dark before they started for home. An old broken down house on a deserted farm on top of the mountain is known as the Caleb Sawyer place. The men say that as they approached the place the dogs began to whine and run around with their tails between their legs. They ran back over the road, and that was the last seen of them until Monday morning, when they returned home with their tails between their legs. They have since refused to leave their kennels.

The men proceeded, and opposite the gate which formerly barred entrance to the old Caleb Sawyer farm they were stopped. The first remarkable thing that happened was then sudden springing up of a cool breeze. All of a sudden a pale green light appeared among the ruins. They were considering the advisability of running in and extinguishing the flames when a figure suddenly appeared. It seemed to be standing on the edge of a piece of board and there was a demoniacal grin on its face.

Springer insists that the apparition had horns of a golden tint, Smith is equally positive that it did not and Green and Tomer acknowledged that they were too badly scared to pay much attention to details. All agree however, that the apparition had whiskers and a mustache, which Green and Smith insist were pale green, but the other two were very positive that they were of a brilliant pink. The men agree that the face "shone like a bottle," and that the hands were as bright as though they had been rubbed in phosphorus.

The body, they say, was of a deep dull black. It was so black in fact that the men could not make out whether the thing wore clothes or not. The apparition chose a novel mode of making its exit. One of the men described it as follows to a reporter:

"The greenish smoke" he said, "Began to thicken and gradually enveloped the body; although the apparition disappeared into the earth, the head remained in the same

position for several seconds after the legs and body disappeared. Then the head gave a last fearful grin and was itself enveloped in smoke. Suddenly the green smoke cleared away and the apparition was gone. The cold breeze stopped as suddenly as it had sprung up.

As soon as we recovered ourselves we pulled up our guns and fired into the bush where the thing had been. There was no sound save that of our guns and when we jumped the fence and ran over and looked there was nothing to be seen. I say that the whole thing is gospel truth, none of us had been drinking and we saw that thing as plainly as I see you now."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *Plain Dealer* (Cleveland Ohio) June 4, 1893.
Type: E

Location: Cedar Creek, near Olathe, Johnson County, Kansas.
Date: June 14, 1893.
Time: Night.

The people living along Cedar Creek are greatly excited over the antics of some strange animal that roams the woods in that part of the country. Robert Sanders, a colored man, ran into Olathe Wednesday night and said he had been chased by a hideous monster that appeared to be half man and half devil. The next morning a man employed on the farm of Edward Lane, living half a mile north of Olathe, reported having seen the 'man.'

Since then, several others have described the animal as it appeared to them. All agree upon the description and say that it appears to be seven feet tall, with a heavy covering of brown hair, and perfectly naked. It stands in a half stooping posture, with long arms crossed over its breast, but when startled or in pursuit, it gets over the ground rapidly with a swinging gait. Robert Wilson, who runs a dairy farm two and one half miles northwest of Olathe, reports that the monster had killed two cows and a calf belonging to him.

He came into northwest Olathe for assistance, and heavily armed parties of men are now scouring the woods in search of the strange beast. Two of the party have returned, and say while they found no signs of the animal's tracks, they found the cow and calf, and say that the carcasses were so torn and mangled that they must have been killed by a most powerful animal. It is thought by many to be an African Gorilla that has escaped from some traveling menagerie, and the people fear it will kill human beings before it can be captured or shot.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia list quoting the *Topeka Kansas Weekly Capital* June 29, 1893.
Type: E

Location: Wabash Valley, Indiana.
Date: July 15, 1893.
Time: 9-10:00 p.m.

A special from Terre Haute to the *Indianapolis Journal* tells the following strange tale.

"Enough reports of the "heavenly visitors" of July 15, in this part of the Wabash Valley have come to warrant a description of what people claim to have seen that Saturday night between 9 and 10 o'clock. In several instances those who were unaware that it had been seen by others in localities as far away as forty miles. At New Goshen, in this county, there were many witnesses, and at one place, the members of a family who were hourly expecting the death of one of their number were terrified by the spectacle. Miss Coffeen gave the following description,

"It was about 9:30 o'clock when I heard neighbors, the Gregory's conversing in excited tones and going to the door, saw them bring their mother, an aged invalid out of the house that she might see the strange thing in the sky.

As soon as I saw it I screamed for the neighbors, a number of whom came and witnessed with me what Mrs. Gregory called, and what seemed to me to be a heavenly host of angels in flowing robes, marching in pairs in solemn procession sad with stately tread through the heavens toward us. They were so real so lifelike that it seemed one could distinguish the measured movements of their perfect forms through the gauzy coverings.

Each spirit company numbered from twenty four to thirty members, who would suddenly appear in the southeastern heavens, and after advancing through from twenty five to thirty degrees of space would suddenly disappear and be replace by a like number, who would appear in the same manner."

The witnesses in the county say the procession continued for an hour, and that no less than one thousand figures passed in view, at the end being a man with a crown seated on a throne. For several weeks now a peculiar red light has been seen in the evening to the north and west and this was particularly bright the night of the vision. The light is seen from points as far north as Logansport and communications have been sent from there and elsewhere to the Chicago newspapers about it.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill, Magonia list.
Type: E?

Location: Trzebniow, Silesia region, Poland.
Date: 1895 (approximate).
Time: Various.

According to local folklore and eyewitness reports, a strange group of humanoid creatures was said to inhabit the area around this village. The creatures or humanoids resembled the mythological Cyclopes and were called “Mamun” by the local peasants. They were reportedly much taller than humans and well built.

They were also hairy and wore primitive clothing. But the main feature distinguishing a “Mamun” from a human was the fact that the Mamuns were one-eyed creatures. They looked ugly and seemed primitive in nature but never harmed the local people and didn’t approach their households. These creatures reportedly lived in caves and wooded shacks inside the dense forests.

Once, as some villagers worked the fields in the vicinity of the forest, a local woman had brought her children with her and had placed her youngest child in a cradle on a hammock closed to the forest. When the child (a girl) fell asleep, the mother went to the fields to work.

After a while a strange inhuman wailing moan was heard coming from the area where the woman had left her child sleeping, the moan definitely did not resemble a sound made by a crying toddler. The mother of the girl ran to the cradle and when she reached the hammock she began to scream in terror.

As others gathered they could see that instead of her daughter in her place there was a naked deformed, one-eye toddler, the creature was weeping and wailing loudly in a strange voice. It became apparent that the Mamuns had taken the human child and replaced it with one of their own.

The village council soon gathered and numerous villages armed with scythes, axes and pitchforks marched towards the forest onto the abode of the Mamuns. Is not cleared what happened next but it was reported that the Mamuns brought the human child back to her mother. Later the strange humanoid creatures were exterminated by the locals.

HC addendum.
Source: Direct from woe_@vp.pl
Type: X?

Location: Saraorci, 80km from Belgrade, Yugoslavia (Serbia).
Date: 1895.
Time: Various.

The source's grandmother who died in 1982 in her 80's told the witness that when she was a young girl in this village a 'silvery boat' like object came from the sky and landed. From this object several tall blond man-like beings, wearing shimmering uniforms emerged. Their skin was not full pink but hinted of a blue green tint. She could not see whites in their eyes just solid colors and they varied from full black to blue and to a luminescent green.

She said that the shiny green eyed ones pointed to some of the more good looking girls in the village and the other entities then took them onboard the object. The witness attempted to get the humanoid's attention but she was 'ignored' and was left behind to her chagrin. She also mentioned that others had seen 'flying silver plates' but her description is akin to the 'landed silver boat.' The young girls 'chosen' by these beings were never heard from again.
HC addendum.
Source: Direct from Walter Petrovic oftop10@yahoo.ca
Type: G
Comments: Appears to be a permanent abduction, to what end? Perhaps for settlement of distant worlds.

Location: Grand Caverns, Virginia.
Date: 1895.
Time: Afternoon.



The above photo was taken in 1895 by an amateur spelunker/photographer Oren Jeffries while exploring an unmapped section of Grand Caverns, in Southwestern Virginia. At the time it was taken, Jeffries was conducting photographic experiments, using super long exposures to see if anything at all could be capture in the total absence of light; otherwise known as “cave darkness.”

He would situate himself on level ground, extinguish his lantern, and then open the lens of his homemade box camera for as long as he could stand the darkness. During one of these experiments, he heard something approach from the deeper recesses of the cave. Frightened, Jeffries abandoned his experiment and set off one of the Blitzlicht flashes he used for taking traditional photos underground.

According to the report he later gave to a local newspaper, Jeffries saw three “humanoid” creatures staring at him from the shadows and took off running in the other direction and didn’t stop running until he was topside. Several days later, he returned with three other men to retrieve the box camera. This is the image that was recorded on the film inside.

HC addendum.
Source: http://creepypasta.wikia.com/wiki/Anomaly
Type: E?

Location: Mont Riga, Connecticut.
Date: February 9, 1895.
Time: Morning.

Woodchoppers living on the mountain were treated to a wonderful mirage early this morning. It showed to the minutest detail, a land far more beautiful than this Earth. The sight lasted a few moments and then vanished. Stretching from east to west was seen a land of many colors. It seemed to those who gazed upon it in spellbound admiration that heaven had opened its doors. A city whose streets were like gold was plainly depicted. Strange buildings were also dimly defined.

Here and there were seen little white-winged angels floating about. Thrones of white material were also discovered. It seemed as though strange music could be heard. Then onlookers were so enraptured that they sank down in the snow upon their knees and stretched forth their hands. Suddenly the streets seemed changed into fire, while back and forth across a fiery mist, strange beings floated. This lasted only an minute. Then this sight changed and for the last time the golden streets appeared.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange quoting *Daily Inter Ocean* (Chicago Illinois) February 11, 1895.
Type: F?

Location: Atlantic Ocean between Azores and Gibraltar.
Date: Summer 1895.
Time: Unknown.

Veteran sailor Captain Joshua Slocum was completing the first leg of the voyage which earned him his place in history as the first person to sail around the world. Between the Azores and Gibraltar his rugged but tiny sloop; "Spray" ran into squalls.

At the same time, Slocum was suffering from severe stomach cramps which so demoralized him that he went below, not taking in his sails as he knew he should, and threw himself on the cabin floor in agony. He lost track of how long he lay there, for he became delirious. When Slocum came to, he realized that his sloop was plunging into a heavy sea.

Looking out of the companionway to his amazement he saw a tall man at the helm. His rigid hand grasping the spokes of the wheel, held them as in a vise. He was dressed like a foreign sailor, with a large red cap over his left ear, and sporting shaggy black whiskers. Slocum wondered if this alarming personage, the very image of a pirate, had boarded his boat and planned to cut his throat. The sailor seemed to read his thoughts, for he doffed his cap to Slocum, saying, with the ghost of a smile, *"Señor, I have come to do you no harm. I am one of Columbus's crew, the pilot of the "Pinta," come to aid you. Lie quiet, Señor captain, and I will guide your ship tonight. You have a "calentura" (fever) but you will be all right tomorrow. You did wrong to mix plums with cheese."*

Next day Slocum found that the Spray was still heading as he had left her, and felt that "Columbus himself could not have held her more exactly on her course." That night he received a second visit from the Spanish sailor, but this time it was in a dream. He explained that he would like to sail with Slocum on his voyage, for the love of adventure alone. Then, doffing his cap, he disappeared as mysteriously as he had arrived. Slocum woke with the feeling that he had been in the presence of a friend and a seaman of vast experience. And though he recognized his second sighting as a dream, he also realized that the first had been something altogether different. Slocum was to "disappear" in the same area of the Atlantic in 1900 and was never seen again.

HC addendum.
Source: *'Visitors from the Twilight Zone.'*
Type: E
Comments: Slocum disappeared without a trace in the Atlantic in the year 1900; perhaps he became a permanent crew member of the "Pinta."

Location: Pierre, South Dakota.
Date: 1895.
Time: Night.

A series of attacks by a "ghastly" creature resembling a human with wolf-like characteristics is said to have taken place in the cattle country west of Pierre. Contemporary accounts describe the assailant as very tall, nearly naked, his skin bronzed by exposure and his savage face nearly hidden by his long, unkempt hair and beard. The creature was blamed for a number of dead cows, which appeared to "have been seized by the heads, borne to the ground by main strength and torn to pieces by the teeth and nails of a lunatic." A cowboy named Jack Lewis reported the creature suddenly attacking him from behind, hurling him to the ground and was nearly strangled by the creature. He struggled furiously, but was unable to reach his weapons, while his assailant frothed at the mouth and made every effort to seize the cowboy by the throat with its teeth. His friends attracted by his cries, luckily arrived in time to rescue him. Lewis was in shock and received several scars about the face.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'America's Nightmare Monsters.'*
Type: E

Location: Goztepe Istanbul, Turkey.
Date: May 5, 1895.
Time: Afternoon.

Atifet Tamer a young girl at the time was looking out her window when she saw an object descend from the sky that appeared to be surrounded by flames. She ran to see where it had landed on the wooded hillside near her home. The object was shaped like a spinning top.

A door opened and several man-like creatures came out of the object. They wore peculiar clothing and moved in an odd manner but otherwise resembled normal men. She was terrified and eventually ran away from the area and only told her family what she had seen. She was told to keep quiet.

HC addendum.
Source: Eric Saunders, *UFO* magazine Vol. 15 #1.
Type: B

Location: South Gardiner, Maine.
Date: August, 1895.
Time: Various.

A South Gardiner, Maine, correspondent to The Globe writes that people living on the outskirts of that town have been startled by unearthly shrieks lately. Two women and three boys, who went into the woods for blueberries, came upon a hairy monster which walked upright on its hind legs toward them. They were badly scared, but the animal, which looked like an immense *African monkey,* walked past them, leaving a footprint round like a saucer. A posse will start a hunt Sunday.

HC addendum.
Source: Magonia Exchange posting quoting the *Boston Daily Globe*, August 9, 1895.
Type: E

Location: Greenville, New Hampshire.
Date: October, 1895.
Time: Various.

"The people of this section are excited over the rumor that a gorilla has been seen in the woods. Last Saturday, boys were out shooting squirrels. After firing the boys were startled to see a great beast jump from the brush and disappear into the woods. Their story is vouched for by a reputable New Ipswich man.

That evening a young man who lives a short distance out of town, when near the Pleasant Street cemetery, heard growling followed by a noise, in the brush. He saw something, and started for home as fast as his legs could carry him. On his arrival there he fell prostrate on the floor from fright and exhaustion. A party of men with shotguns went in pursuit of the gorilla yesterday, but found no trace of it. An Ashby man informed The Globe correspondent that the gorilla was seen there a few evenings since."

HC addendum.
Source: Magonia Exchange posting quoting the *Boston Daily Globe*, October 22, 1895.
Type: E

Location: Elkhorn, West Virginia.
Date: November 8, 1895.
Time: Afternoon.

A party of hunters who were roaming the woods on Elkhorn saw a man ascending a rocky height completely naked. The hunters surrounded the fellow and made an attempt to capture him, but as soon as he saw the men he yelled and ran to the top of the hill. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: *Newark Daily Advocate*, Newark Ohio, November 9, 1895.
Type: E

Location: Near Bangor, Maine.
Date: November 26, 1895.
Time: Daytime.

"A lumberman who returned today from the forest in the north of the State brings the most harrowing intelligence of the doings of a wild man in the lumber region of the west branch. He states that great consternation has been caused and a large number of lumbermen have left the camps and returned to their cities rather than face the monster.

For over two months quite a number of men have disappeared from the camps and when found, bore the semblance of having had an encounter with some wild animal, their bodies in every instance having been terribly mangled and torn.

A lumberman who returned to a camp a little north of this city a week ago startled all by stating that while at work he had been attacked by this wild man, and it was only by the help of his ax he had been able to defend himself from the murderous attacks.

Since that time he has been seen by the crews several times, but on their approach he fled into the deep woods with the speed of a deer. He is described as being so nearly like an animal that it is almost impossible to detect him from one. He has a long, shaggy beard, and is covered with a huge, skin coat.

The general belief is that he is a sportsman who has become lost in the deep forests, and after wandering around for weeks has gone hopelessly crazy, and already there have been over half a dozen instances of a similar character in the state. The crews of the lumbering camps are out hunting for the man and hope by shooting him in the leg to affect his capture."

HC addendum.
Source: *The Call,* November 27, 1895, San Francisco, California.
Type: X

Location: Arolla near Zermatt, Switzerland.
Date: 1896.
Time: Late afternoon.

The famous "Black Magician" Aleister Crowley and his cousin, Gregor Grant, a fine climber but with little experience beyond scrambles, and in poor physical condition, for a second (first guideless) ascent of the N.N.E. ridge of Mont Collon, a long and exacting climb of more than average difficulty. He had to help him with the rope for most of the climb. This made them late. Crowley dashed for the quickest way down, a short but very steep ridge with one decidedly bad patch, to the great snowfield at the head of the valley.

At the bottom of the last pitch, a stone-strewn slope, easy going, led to the snows. They took off the rope, and Crowley sat down to coil it and light a pipe, while Gregor wandered down. By this time Crowley was very tired, and took a chance, as nightfall was near, to rest for about 5 or 10 minutes. Restored, he sprang to his feet, threw the coiled rope over his shoulder, and started to run down. But he was too tired to run, he slackened off.

Then to his amazement, he saw on the slopes below him, two little fellows hopping playfully about on the rocks. These little men were exactly the traditional gnome of German folk tales; the Heinzelmanner that one sees sometimes on German beer-mugs. He hailed them cheerfully; at first he thought they were some of the local nobility and gentry of a type he had not encountered yet; but they took no notice, just went on playing about.

They were still at it when he reached his cousin, sheltering behind some boulders at the foot of the slope; and he saw no more of them. He saw them as plainly as he ever seen anything; there was nothing ghostly or semi-transparent about them. He asked his cousin if he had seen them; he said no.

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Rogerson, Mufob Vol. 5 #5, quoting Crowley, *'Magick without Tears.'*
Type: E

Location: Cloncurry, Queensland, Australia.
Date: 1896 (or 1898).
Time: Unknown.

An Aboriginal man and a woman were reportedly abducted by three strange reddish-skinned beings of extraterrestrial appearance somewhere outside Cloncurry and flown in what they eventually described as a huge flying craft, to be left in a semi-desert environment where at night there were two huge moons in the sky above. They lived in fear of strange large animals that they came upon in the course of their exploring which was for water and food of any kind that they could find.

It appears that after a day or two, their abductors suddenly appeared and directed them into something like a metal vehicle, in which they were driven by the three beings to a massive glass-like building. Here they were refreshed with strange foods and drink. They were then put to sleep by some means and woke up on a dirt roadside a few miles from Cloncurry, near where they had first been abducted.
HC addendum.
Source: The *Blue Mountain UFO Research Club Newsletter* January, 2012.
Type: G

Location: Clarkesville, Georgia.
Date: January, 1896.
Time: Various.

"The great wonder puzzle has come at last. It has been seen by Mr. S. H. J. Alley and others. They say it is the seventh wonder of the world. About a month ago this wonder was first seen by Mr. Alley. It is something like a ball of fire, near the size of a man's head. Any dark night it can be seen near Mr. Alley's residence or in the Episcopal Church yard. Night after night it has been changing in shape, till now it has developed into two beautiful angels floating above the Earth."

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, citing the *Atlanta Constitution* (1881-1945) (Atlanta Ga) 03 Feb, 1896.
Type: E?

Location: Barranco del Buho, Orihuela, Alicante, Spain.
Date: January 18, 1896.
Time: Night.

A young girl, Encarnacion Hernandez went missing for 24 hours and was later found in this desolate, rocky, and cold area. Later young Encarnacion claimed that she had always been accompanied by a “nice lady” dressed in white which protected her at all times with a sort of apron and stayed with her the whole night.

HC addendum.
Source: Lorenzo Fernandez Bueno, *Enigmas,* 11-2015.
Type: G?

Location: Wellington, New Zealand.
Date: May, 1896.
Time: Various.

"The N. Z. *Times* gives publicity to a statement that a ghost-like apparition has been terrifying people along Adelaide Road at the southern end of the city and even pays visits to houses. It is described as clothed in white from head to foot and the manner in which it clears fences, etc., says it is a "Springheeled Jack." Numerous persons, chiefly women, interviewed by it, report having seen a figure, but the police state that they have received no reports on the matter. The apparition changes its sphere of operations, and is alleged to have been seen as far out as Karori, four miles from town."

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braenne in Magonia Exchange quoting the *Inangahua Times* (NZ) May 9, 1896.
Type: E

Location: Pahaquarry Township, Warren County, New Jersey.
Date: August 11, 1896.
Time: Morning.

Hosea Depue, a well-known farmer, had an experience a few days ago that caused his hair to turn white, and that produced such a change in his looks that his wife hardly knew him. He is a veteran fisherman, and went out early in the day to follow his accustomed habits. The morning was hazy and exceedingly hot, and as the old gentleman was in the act of hauling in a fine bass he heard a peculiar noise up the river. His eyes were at once riveted on a scene that he will never forget. He says a huge white cloud arose apparently out of the water. It floated upward several hundred feet and seemed to be a blaze of light. He watched it with intense interest and says a very strange feeling came over him, and the very air seemed charged with a heavenly fragrance.

Soon the cloud he had been watching parted in the middle, and a most beautiful saint-like figure appeared. It was the form of a woman. Her face was radiant with brightness and golden tresses fell in heavy waves over the marble-like shoulders. She was robed in spotless white, the loose garment seeming to fall far below her feet in graceful contour. The cloud had by this time assumed the shape of a cross and was floating across the river in a southwesterly direction, crowded toward the Jersey shore.

Mr. Depue says he thought he could distinguish music, but he was so overcome with emotion that he could not trust his own senses. He declares that the apparition bore a striking resemblance to the Virgin Mary, whose likeness he had often seen in art galleries. He was so overcome that he fell to the bottom of his boat and lay there in a faint for several minutes.

When he recovered, the vision had faded but the impression was so deep on his mind that it will never be obliterated. He hurried home and his excited condition. He told the story to his family, and during the day hundreds of friends and neighbors called at his home to learn the particulars of the remarkable vision. The old gentleman is not superstitious nor are his friends but they cannot help regarding the apparitions as having a meaning that they cannot as yet fathom. The whole neighborhood is excited over the event.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia list, quoting the Cleveland Ohio Plains Dealer, August 18, 1896.
Type: E?

Location: Tamalpais Mountains, California.
Date: Late August, 1896.
Time: Unknown.

William Jordan wrote to the paper to say that in late August, while chasing a wounded deer in the Tamalpais Mountains, he came upon a circular brush pile 10ft high; a man was there who asked him his business, helped him find the deer, and helped him carry it into the brush corral. Inside was "a perfect machine shop and an almost completed airship. I was sworn to secrecy and have kept it till this moment."

HC addendum.
Source: The *Record Union*, Sacramento, California, Nov. 22, 1896.
Type: G?

Location: Near Loganville, Georgia.
Date: Fall 1896.
Time: Afternoon.

The 16-year old witness was out duck hunting when he heard a strange noise. He described it as a sort of chirping-squealing noise in the trees beyond the edge of the pond. Curious, he went to investigate. In a clearing he came upon a group of short creatures. He described them as about 3 ½ to 4ft tall with extremely large heads and eyes like a deer. They were milling around (there were 5 of them) inspecting the plants and insects. The witness hid in the shrubs and had been watching for several minutes when one of them lifted its head and looked straight at him.

He laid down his shotgun and stood up, walking out into the clearing. This startled the creatures so he stopped and just stood there. They took a couple of steps back then warily started towards him. Once they got close enough to him they began touching his clothes, hands and face. This went on for about 30 minutes and then they went and walked off into the brush on the other side of the clearing. When the witness arrived home it was 1700.

HC addendum.
Source: CAUS PCE'S, Peter Gersten (Citizens against UFO secrecy)
Type: E

Location: Geneva, Switzerland.
Date: September 5, 1896.
Time: 3:15 a.m.

Helene Smith woke up and had a strange vision. She viewed, she said, a foreign landscape with a "beautiful blue-pink lake" whose shores were joined by a transparent bridge. A crowd of "peculiar people" approached the bridge. A man "of dark complexion, carrying an instrument somewhat resembling a carriage lantern in appearance, which, being pressed, emitted flames and what seemed to be a flying machine stood on the center of the bridge."

Using this instrument, he flew off the bridge, touched the water, and flew back again. By the end of September the dark complexioned man had become a part of Helene's life. He appeared and disappeared suddenly when she was alone and fully conscious. Often he spoke to her in a strange unknown tongue. His name was "Astane" and he was from "Mars," he told her soberly. He looked more like an Oriental or East Indian.

On a number of occasions he guided her to his home on Mars (at least in her visions and hallucinations). Usually he was dressed in beautifully embroidered robes. Miss Smith described at length the vehicles on Mars, stating they had neither wheels nor horses, and people seemed to fly about in them.

Helene quickly learned to speak the strange Martian language. Her automatic writing also developed a new twist. She began writing in unknown symbols and gradually over many months Professor Flournoy was able to decipher them and translate Martian into French. These symbols had the Oriental characteristics which have been so often described by modern flying saucer contactees who claim to have been aboard the craft. In later periods Helene would sometimes lapse into this language in the course of normal conversation without realizing she was doing so. It was not, Flournoy noted, the kind of gibberish that children make up when they are playing at being Chinese or Indian. It was an actual language which could be broken down and studied.

Other Martians turned up answering to the names of Ramie and Esenale. Soon Helene's world was peopled with strange beings with long hair and long fingers who led her off on spiritual trips to other planets.

HC addendum.
Source: John A. Keel, *'Our Haunted Planet.'*
Type: F
Comments: Theodore Flournoy a professor of psychology at the University of Geneva investigated the strange phenomena surrounding a girl known as Helene Smith. Beginning in March 1892, Miss Smith started to receive messages through automatic writing (a process in which the percipient merely holds the pen, and some other force

moves it). Soon she was going into trances and speaking in a man's voice with an Italian accent. He identified himself as Leopold and proved to be something of a rascal, prefacing his communications with phrases such as, "I am here. I wish to be master of this sitting." Then all kinds of poltergeist activity would begin. Later, however, Victor Hugo, the deceased author, came through the medium and offered advice on how to handle the evil Leopold.

Information on Helene Smith: http://www.themystica.com/mystica/articles/s/smith_helene.html

Location: Comptonville, Yuba County, California.
Date: November 6, 1896.
Time: 9:00 p.m.

A large airship flew over the small town of Comptonville and landed nearby. Five men went out to investigate, and found the ship with its sole occupant, a bearded man who appeared to be deaf and mute. Some written communication was attempted; in response the man produced an "alphabet" and spelled out a message saying he lived in the Montezuma Mountains with his wife and two children. He declined to answer any further questions, so the five men left. The craft was seen flying off the next day.

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Rogerson, Mufob Vol. 5 #5, Jerome Clark *'The Unidentified: Notes toward solving the UFO Mystery.'*
Type: C

Location: Between Lodi and Stockton, California.
Date: November 16 or 25, 1896.
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Colonel E.G. Shaw and Camille Spooner were driving home from Stockton from Lodi when their horse stopped in terror, and they saw three very slender men nearly 7ft tall. On being addressed, these beings spoke to each other in a "warbling," guttural language. They had small hands with no fingernails, and bare feet nearly twice as long as ours, with long slender prehensile toes. Colonel Shaw lifted one of them with a hand under his elbow, and judged him to weigh less than an ounce. They were unclothed, but covered with a soft natural growth, neither hair nor feathers; their skin was like velvet. They had baldheads, small ears and mouths, and large eyes. Each carried under his arm a bag, from which from time to time he breathed.

In their hands they held brilliantly luminous egg-like objects. After examining the horse and buggy, they attempted to lift Colonel Shaw but could not move him. Their lights revealed near their bridge over the Woodbridge canal, a spindle shaped aircraft 150ft long and 20ft thick in the center, hovering 20ft over the canal. They walked, with 15-foot steps, toward this craft, and sprang up to enter it through a door in the side. Colonel Shaw struck the vessel with a rock; it gave no sound. It moved off rapidly, "expanding and contracting with a muscular motion." The Colonel believed he had seen Martians.

HC addendum.
Source: Loren E. Gross.
Type: B

Location: Sacramento, California.
Date: November 17, 1896.
Time: Evening.

Several witnesses watched an egg-shaped object with fan like wheels flying low over the area. Voices were heard coming from it. Others saw the object on the ground being pushed by four men, apparently its occupants, who told the witnesses “they were headed towards San Francisco.”

HC addendum.
Source: Peter Rogerson, Mufob Vol. 5 #5.
Type: C

Location: Watertown, California.
Date: November 20, 1896.
Time: Evening.

Five Watertown men wrote to an area newspaper to say that they had seen an enormous airship nearly collide with a cornice of the Watertown post office on the evening of November 20. The craft had an “intensely brilliant” light, and the witnesses could see human forms aboard the ship.

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting newspaper source.
Type: A

Location: San Francisco, California.
Date: November 22, 1896.
Time: 8:00 p.m.

A.T. Cooper, a mechanical engineer who has been employed in various rolling mills of the city, claims to have seen the mysterious airship through a powerful telescope on Sunday night and he gives a detailed account of his observations.

"Sunday evening about 8 o'clock." He said. "I saw the airship through a telescope from Market and Fifth Streets. With the naked eye nothing but the moving light could be seen, but through the telescope the machine was plain. To me it seemed to be shaped like a cartridge, and the light was on the rear end. At the time I saw the ship it was going in a westerly direction and it continued on its way toward the sea till it disappeared. The end was flat, not pointed and on it were four large propellers which were similar to the large screws on ocean steamships. Two of these propellers were at the top of the back end and two were at the bottom.

But the most surprising thing of all was that I saw two men standing within the machine some distance in from these propellers. I saw them distinctly because they walked about and under the glare of the powerful light at the end, their movements could be easily seen. A friend of mine saw the same thing and neither he nor anyone else who looked through the telescope had any doubt that two men were in the machine. There were several who used the telescope and all of them plainly saw the ship and its occupants."

HC addendum.
Source: *San Francisco Chronicle* (California) Nov. 24, 1896.
Type: A

Location: Deerfield, Wisconsin.
Date: December, 1896.
Time: Afternoon.

A Mrs. Olson (a widow) and her 14-year old son lived on the south shore of Stump Lake. One day a 'boy' they did not know showed up at their door to inquire how he could get to the residence of a certain farmer whose house was on the opposite shore. Because the trip involved a three-mile walk, the mother directed her son to take the stranger by boat, a much shorter, less time-consuming trip. The Olson boy had his passenger sit at the stern (rear), while he picked up the oars and began rowing across the water. Oddly and rudely, the stranger sat with his back to his host. Worse, he did not respond to Olson's efforts to engage him in small talk. Then, as the newspaper account had it:

His strange behavior made Olson observe him more closely and the more closely and the more he looked at him, the more did he appear unlike a human. His attention was first attracted by the stranger's ears, which were abnormally large, reaching almost to the top of his head, where they came to nearly a point or sharp angle and were covered with a fine downy hair. His head was small and angular, something like that of a dog and covered with short, black curly hair that hugged the skin tightly.

The hands were small, shriveled and covered with hair similar to that on his ears. Young Olson was now becoming almost frightened out of his wits at being alone in the boat with such an unearthly looking being and rowed with all his might. On arriving at the opposite landing he got out of the boat hastily to let out his uncongenial passenger. The stranger arose to leave the boat, but instead of facing about to walk out, he backed and carefully kept his face from view.

The rattled young Olson rowed back home as fast as his arm and oar would take him. The moment he was inside the house, he began to tell his mother about his bizarre adventure. She looked over to him to see if he was serious, and as she did so, her glance fell over into his shoulder and out the window behind him. There, running up a hill close to the house, was the strange boy last seen on the other side of the lake, though he could not possibly have made the return trip that anywhere nearly that quickly. The stranger was chasing the Olson's sheep.

Mother and son both made after him, but on arriving at the crest of the hill nobody was to be seen, while the sheep stood down the slope a little way huddled together as if recently chased by a wolf or dog. There was nothing within eighty rods that the stranger could have hid behind. Why they did not notice his strange appearance before starting in the boat, how he got back so quickly and where he disappeared to, was more than the frightened widow and son could have been able to account for and they firmly believe there are still a few left of the old time elf family.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'Hidden Realms, Lost Civilizations, and Beings from Other Worlds,'* citing the *Milwaukee Sentinel* December 20, 1896.

Location: Off California coast, near San Francisco, California.
Date: December 2, 1896.
Time: Unknown.

Two fishermen, Giuseppe Valinziano and Luigi Valdivia, were in a boat offshore from Pacific Grove, when they saw a twenty yard long cigar-shaped object land on a beach. The three occupants of the craft came out of it and carried it across the beach to the woods. The craft had huge wings which were folded up. The witnesses landed the boat and one of the occupants appeared and suggested that the witnesses move away. Valinziano insisted on seeing the craft and would not leave the area until he saw it.

Fifteen minutes later the entire crew came out, led by an imposing man that the others called "Captain." The Captain made it quite clear that any attempt to approach the craft within a particular distance would be met by physical resistance. He invited the witnesses to a picnic lunch. Repairs were needed to the craft and they would leave after lunch. They actually left after dark that evening.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark and Loren Coleman.
Type: G

Location: San Diego, California.
Date: Middle of December, 1896.
Time: Unknown.

James Lewis, the aged discoverer of an airship near this city, was examined as to his sanity yesterday and ordered committed to Highlands asylum. The statement of Lewis on the previous day that he had been rolled into a river belied his looks for a dirtier man had not been seen at the jail for many a day. It was found advisable to examine Lewis in his cell on account of the nauseous odor arising from his person. The judge remained on the outside of the cell while Lewis with eyes bulging out of their sockets and hands extended through the hole in the door used for passing through his meals affirmed the allegations in one breath and denied them in the next.

He told of his taking passage on an airship starting in San Diego and fling through space at a lighting-like rapidity, and at least arriving at heaven where a glorious reception awaited him. He was reluctant to return, but was finally persuaded to do so and once more taking passage on the ship he made the return to San Diego in much less time than the upward voyage. He failed to remember the description and details concerning the airship, but an airship it was, he declared. The jailer is glad to get rid of him, for his ravings during the night kept everyone awake in the vicinity of the jail.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, quoting the *San Diego Union* (San Diego California) Thursday, December 17, 1896.
Type: G?

Location: Brandywine Hundred, Newcastle, Delaware.
Date: December 26, 1896.
Time: Early morning.

Ezekiel Sergeant, a Brandywine Hundred farmer, came into town with a wonderful story yesterday. He produced a peculiar-looking bottle and a message, which he said were dropped from the clouds. His story is substantially as follows:

He and James, his 'colored' employee were returning to the former's house about daybreak when the sound of a cornet attracted their attention. About the same time a large bottle fell at their feet, the top of it breaking in a hundred pieces. The farmer glanced heavenward, and toward the northeast he saw a large airship floating across the sky. It was illuminated with multicolored lights.

While the farmer and James gazed with wonderment at the strange scene a flood of light was sent streaming down upon their heads, revealing a huge machine resembling a fish. It had wide-spreading wings and a mighty tail. The machine circled about for a few minutes and then disappeared in the direction of the southeast. The bewildered farmer looked for the bottle which had fallen from the airship. It was found and on the label were the words: "J. Krause & Co. Salt Lake City, Utah." Inside the bottle was the following message:

"On board the Airship Icarus, Thursday December 26 1896. The Airship Icarus Capt. James Dashiel with Thomas Murphy, companion, left Salt Lake City 10 p.m. Tuesday December 8 bound for Cuba. Wind due east, blowing at the rate of sixty miles an hour. At an altitude of one mile found steady current; machinery working to a charm, all well. Provisions will last a week longer, when will land in the neighborhood of Jacksonville, Fla. Send word, collect, to Hatcher & Mills bankers, 730 South Second Street, Salt Lake City, Utah." Mr. Sergeant appears to be greatly excited over his alleged find.

HC addendum.
Source: Kay Massingill in Magonia Exchange, quoting *Sun* (Baltimore MD) December 28, 1896.
Type: X

Location: Near Shaugh Bridge, Dartmoor, England.
Date: 1897.
Time: Afternoon.

A young girl encountered a two-foot tall pixie like entity sitting under an overhanging boulder. It resembled a little old wizened man; it wore a pointed hat, curved at the front and red and blue clothing. It had a brown wrinkled face; it suddenly vanished in plain sight of the witness.

HC addendum.
Source: Janet and Colin Bord, *'Modern Mysteries of Britain.'*
Type: E

Location: Near Moordrecht, The Netherlands.
Date: 1897.
Time: Night.

Mr. C. Broere and his brother were walking on a road between Moordrecht and Gouda behind a local graveyard. There they saw a white, human-shaped figure rising from the graveyard ground. It was a beautiful but at the same time scary sight. The figure, apparently a female, wore a cap and appeared to be made out of transparent glass. She was translucent and Madonna-like. She ascended straight up and disappeared.

HC addendum.
Source: Folklorist, Henk Kooyman, '*Volksverhalen uit het Grensgebied Nr. 43.*'
Type: E

Location: Acampo, California.
Date: Late January, 1897.
Time: Evening.

Five area residents reported seeing a flying figure resembling that of a man with wings. The figure was encased in a fiery glow; presumably from some type of light source carried with him.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'The UFO Encyclopedia Vol. II.'*
Type: E

Location: Charleston, Sanilac County, Michigan.
Date: March 31, 1897.
Time: 10:00 p.m.

Mrs. Wyngate saw a brilliant white light, and at the same time "distinctly heard human voices from above."

HC addendum.
Source: John Keel, *'Operation Trojan Horse,'* quoting *Detroit Evening News,* April 1, 1897.
Type: X

Location: Galesburg, Michigan.
Date: March 31, 1897.
Time: 10:00 p.m.

The airship passed over the village of Galesburg. Witnesses reported seeing a brilliant light which revealed the vague shape of the machine's main body; from it emanated both an odd "crackling" noise, apparently the sound of its motor, and the distinct sounds of human voices.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *FSR* Vol. 12, N. 4.
Type: X

Location: Norway, Wisconsin.
Date: Early April, 1897.
Time: Afternoon.

A boy living near this town swore he saw an airship land on a local farm. He said he observed several occupants emerge from the craft and procure water, which they proceeded to pour into what looked like a boiler on board the ship.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: B

Location: East Texas near Dallas.
Date: April, 1897.
Time: Afternoon.

"Joe" Scully, the passenger conductor who died while on his run the other day, was known as "Truthful" Scully in newspaper and railroad circles. Three years ago an airship steered by one solitary passenger made fun for the newspaper and scared the superstitious into hysterics. The aerial messenger made his advent in the far north somewhere, perhaps in British possessions (i.e., Canada).

He came south with the ducks and geese to escape the rigors of a northern winter, no doubt. The airship man was as great a mystery as the "Prisoner of Chillon" until "Joe" Scully made a startling discovery over in the woods of East Texas.

"Joe" had a freight run at the time and, like all other investigators, he kept the good eye peeled for the airship man. Fortune favored him. While his train was on a siding one day he saw a queer-looking object sailing in the heavens above him. It wasn't as big as a schooner nor as small as a fishing smack. It was whale-shaped, had wings of enormous size, a hurricane deck and a man at the helm that was steering the craft. The steersman wore a most fantastic garb, wore sandals and chewed gum.

Needing repairs and refreshments, the captain of the airship cast anchor in a clearing about forty yards from the railroad. The astonished conductor did not venture within speaking distance of the airship man. On his arrival in Dallas, he told a weird and wonderful story of his adventure. The News devoted three columns of space to the sensation, and Mr. Scully was the talk of the country for a short period. His chums christened him "Truthful" Scully and never tired of jollying him anent his east Texas airship and its mysterious passenger."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Magonia Exchange quoting *Dallas Morning News*, February 3, 1900.
Type: A

Location: Wolf Creek Township, Iowa.
Date: April 3, 1897.
Time: After midnight.

Richard H. Butler, a farmer in Wolf Creek Township, was arriving home after midnight when he entered the lane leading to his dooryard. The door runs for nearly a quarter of a mile between two big cornfields and Butler had covered perhaps half of this distance when he astonished to see a light on his right hand.

He knew there was no house except his own in the vicinity and the presence of the light puzzled him. Besides, it was more like the glow of an electric lamp than the kerosene burners on which the residents of the Wolf Creek district depend. As he drew nearer he discerned a dark bulk from which the light seemed to emanate. Butler says in general appearance it was a cigar-shaped bag, thirty or thirty five feet long, horizontally placed and supporting underneath a lit car of about the same length and perhaps six or seven feet in diameter.

The skipper of the strange craft evidently saw the farmer at this moment for a sharp order sounded, there was a rattle of machinery a sudden whirring noise, and the whole affair rose swiftly into the air and sailed away to the southward.

As the car rose, Butler's team (horses) shied violently and tipped his wagon into the ditch. Of course, the neighbors maintain that Butler was too drunk to see where he was going and tipped himself over in attempting to reach his barnyard. The air ship story, they think, he invented to account for his accident.

HC addendum.
Source: *Minneapolis Journal*, Minnesota, April 7, 1897.
Type: A?

Location: Near Peru, Nebraska.
Date: April 6, 1897.
Time: 2:00 a.m.



A man looking for stray cattle became lost then noticed a light on a sandbar in the nearby Missouri River. As he approached the light he noticed that it was a landed airship, 200 feet long. Several crewmembers appeared to be repairing a searchlight. The occupants conversed with the witness and told him that they were en-route to Cuba to bomb Spanish troop camps and ships. (!)

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'The UFO Encyclopedia Vol. II.'*
Type: C

Location: Lanark, Illinois.
Date: April 9, 1897.
Time: Morning.

Johann Fliegeltoub reported that an airship spun out of control during a blizzard and crashed on his farm. Two of the occupants were killed, but Fliegeltoub pulled one injured pilot, dressed like the early Greeks, from the wreckage. The creature reported that he was from Mars, and when his strength returned, he repaired his ship and left.

HC addendum.
Source: Kevin D. Randle, *'A History of UFO Crashes.'*
Type: H?

Location: Lima, Indiana.
Date: April 11, 1897.
Time: Evening.

Sightings of the airship were made in LaGrange, Indiana; at the same time, “the powerful telescope at the military school in Lima was turned on it, and the professor in charge declares he could distinguish a figure moving about.”

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: A

Location: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
Date: April 11, 1897.
Time: 9:00 p.m.

An oval shaped object, below which was suspended a brilliant light, approached Milwaukee from Lake Michigan and hovered above the City Hall. A man named Mayer observed the object through a telescope and distinctly saw four occupants.

HC addendum.
Source: Lore and Denault, *'Mysteries of the Skies.'*
Type: A

Location: Lock Mills, Indiana.
Date: April 11, 1897.
Time: Night.

A local man claimed a man in an airship who projected "magic lantern" pictures on the side of his barn visited him. (Magic lantern was the contemporary name for an early type of slide projector.)

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: B?

Location: Minnetonka, Minnesota.
Date: April 11, 1897.
Time: 10:30 p.m.

Stuart Mackroth was riding his bicycle near Minnetonka Mills when the airship passed over him. It was “shaped like an ordinary boat,” with a brilliant electric light in the bow, red, and green sidelights, and a pale stern light. “Mr. Mackroth reports that he saw in the machine; men, women, and children. They were moving about as if very busy.”

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting newspaper source.
Type: A

Location: Near Louisville, Kentucky.
Date: April 12, 1897.
Time: Before daybreak.

A local farmer encountered a brilliantly lighted huge oblong shaped craft traveling low over the area. He called his wife and both watched as it disappeared towards the southeast at high speed. Before it left, both witnesses were able to see a human-like form standing in the front of the ship as if it was directing its course.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'The UFO Encyclopedia Vol. II.'*
Type: A

Location: Girard-Green Ridge, Illinois.
Date: April 12, 1897.
Time: 6:15 p.m.

"A mile north of Green Ridge; a mining camp, a large crowd of people saw the airship settle in a grove. They hastened to investigate, but when they got within half a mile, it again rose and continued its northward journey. The Chicago and Alton night operator, who was hunting nearby, was close enough to discover a human being working about the airship, as if tightening some loosened machinery. The spectators say it was shaped like a boat, with oars extending on each side and a top similar to the canopy of a booth." The newspaper accounts adds that a huge "M" and letters marked the craft, and that footprints and other ground traces were found at the site."

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: C

Location: Maysville, Missouri.
Date: April 12, 1897.
Time: 10:00 p.m.

"The airship landed for ½ hr, at Mayville. "It came to the ground in a vacant lot north of U.S Marshall Crenshaw's home, and was soon surrounded by nearly the whole population of our little city. There was only one man onboard, who appeared to be a Norwegian.
Scandinavian oaths fairly poured from his lips as he hammered at a peculiar little contrivance in one of the long, gill like flanges on top of the rear portion of the ship. He was not in a conversational mood, and nothing was learned from him. All that could be seen about the little air vessel was an apparently Danish inscription. In 30 minutes everything seemed to be repaired and the mysterious visitor was gone."

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting newspaper source.
Type: A

Location: Saint Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota.
Date: April 13, 1897.
Time: 9:00 a.m.

A cigar-shaped craft with wings landed in Courthouse Square. After three minutes a hidden door opened in the silver-coated craft and three humanoid figures emerged. They were humanoid though with no demarcation between the nose and the mouth and they had immense gills on the sides of the head like elephant's ears that moved like breathing. The mouth was huge from gill to gill. The humanoids also had a single huge fin on each of their back. They had pointy feet, eyes like "boiled eggs" and hands like claws.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'UFOs and Atlas and History 1800-1977.'*
Type: B

Location: Greensburg, Indiana.
Date: April 13, 1897.
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Professor George Keeley obtained a good view of the airship from his observatory; probably the best view of anyone. He says the searchlight is of medium power; the machine is about 60ft long, the balloon being about 50ft long and cigar shaped, the car hanging about 20ft under the balloon. The car was entirely enclosed, but two men were visible in the lookout. One was apparently 50-years old, with a beard, and the other young. Their features were indiscernible. The older man wore a stiff hat and the younger a Cuban crush hat.

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: A

Location: Harrison, Sioux County, Nebraska.
Date: April 13, 1897.
Time: Evening.

All the witnesses present were from the district court and these included judges, lawyers and court witnesses. For thirty minutes they watched an airship that had come from the southeast. It had a bright, white light as well as several colored lights. Overall is was black and whale-shaped. Two crew were visible in the gondola underneath and there was a propeller at the stern. A Mr. A. J. Habbiger thought that he had heard voices coming from it.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'UFOs an Atlas and History 1800-1977.'*
Type: A

Location: Lake Elmo, Michigan.
Date: April 13, 1897.
Time: 11:15 p.m.

"Two traveling men; F. Chamberlain and O. L. Jones, were driving a 2-horse cart shortly after 2300 when they saw a man walking around in a clearing with a lantern. When they drove toward him the lantern disappeared, and they heard a rush of twigs and brush, then a rushing noise like wind. They then discerned in the moonlight "a long, high object of a gray white color, resembling the top of a schooner." It bore four lights in two pairs, including red and green lights. It rose at a sharp angle so as to just clear the treetops. It went up all in a jiffy. "We were too surprised to get a good view." At the site they found 14 prints, each 2ft x 6"; manifestly the massive supports of the contrivance."

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: C

Location: Cleveland, Ohio.
Date: April 14, 1897.
Time: Unknown.

Joseph Singler; captain of the "Sea Wing," was fishing with S. H. Davis, of Detroit, when they saw on the lake what they thought was a ship, about 13 meters long, with a canopy. A man, about 25 years old, wearing a hunting jacket and a cap, was fishing from the back of the object. Near him were a woman and a 10-year old child. When the "Sea Wing" came close to the craft, a large, colored balloon rose from the object, which flew up with it to an altitude of about 150 meters and circled "like a hawk" before flying away.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee, *'Passport to Magonia.'*
Type: A

Location: Near Dickinson, North Dakota.
Date: April 14, 1897.
Time: 1:15 a.m.

The airship will not down; fortunately for the occupants thereof. Reports come from different parts of the state that the creature has been seen carrying green, red and white lights, with orders to run wild to the Pacific coast and wherever else it might want to run. After passing Bismarck, it took a shot over the prairies at a hundred miles an hour gait and showed up at Dickinson at 1:15 a.m., where all the residents were out on the streets with opera glasses and beer keg spigots, sighting the heavens for a view of the mysterious stranger.

One man with an extraordinary large spigot said the vessel carried only one light, and that the wick seemed to need trimming. He is also authority for the statement that the ship is shaped like a cigar and emits something the door of brand which is in use about election time. After passing over the town of Dickinson, the ship sank behind the hills in the Bad Lands, and is supposed to have rested on some of the buttes and taken on a fresh supply of air, while the engineer polished up the headlight, and put some fresh sand in the sand box.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia Exchange quoting *Bismarck* (North Dakota) *Tribune*, April 15, 1897.
Type: B?

Location: Gas City, Indiana.
Date: April 14, 1897.
Time: 3:00 p.m.

"An object landed 2 km south of Gas City on the property of John Roush, terrifying the farmers and causing the horses and cattle to stampede. Six occupants of the ship came out and seemed to make some repairs. Before the crowd could approach the object, it rose rapidly and flew toward the east."

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee, *'Passport to Magonia.'*
Type: B

Location: Mount Vernon, Illinois.
Date: April 14, 1897.
Time: Evening.

"What appeared to have been the body of a huge man like figure was seen by hundreds of persons as it flew through the air in a quick swimming motion. It seemed to have had some sort of electric light on his back."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'The UFO Encyclopedia Vol. II.'*
Type: E?

Location: Near Birmingham, Iowa.
Date: April 14, 1897.
Time: 9:00 p.m.

An airship reportedly came down on a meadow near the town. It was described as 100 feet long and 20 feet high. As several witnesses raced to the scene, the craft rose emitting a loud whirring sound. Two men could be seen inside the craft and one carried what appeared to be a lantern that he waved as the ship ascended.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'The UFO Encyclopedia Vol. II.'*
Type: A

Location: Iowa Falls, Iowa.
Date: April 14, 1897.
Time: Night.

Many people here are confident that the airship of the later day notoriety lies at the bottom of the Iowa River a short distance above the city. Shortly after dusk last evening several people were attracted by a meteoric like flash across the heavens and attended by a whirring noise like the passage of a heavy body through the air at a rapid rate might make.

The light and the dark form which seemed to follow it approached the Earth at a terrific speed and parties living near the river declare that it struck the water and immediately sunk out of sight. Those who reached the point of the object's disappearance first, claim that the water was churned into a whirlpool and that for a long distance the water was seething and boiling.

The theory advanced by many is that the airship while passing over this section became unmanageable and in the efforts of the people aboard to land shot downward and plunged headlong into the river and after striking the bottom the propelling power of the ship dashed the waters into foam. Nothing can be seen from the surface and nothing has come to the surface that might indicate the ship or its occupants, and the supposition is that the occupants were killed or drowned and with them the secret of the ship.

Searching parties are now being organized to search the river and possibly raise the wreck. Thousands are expected here every hour by special trains from all parts of the compass and the whole matter has caused a big sensation.

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.waterufo.net/item.php?id=1134 quoting *The Waterloo Courier*, Iowa, April 21, 1897.
Type: H?
Comments: Early UFO crash tale.

Location: Humboldt, Tennessee.
Date: Mid-April, 1897.
Time: Unknown.

Sam McLeary claimed that he spotted the sole occupant of an airship that crashed into the woods near the Forked Deer River. It was reportedly encased in a block of ice. According to the newspaper story.

HC addendum.
Source: Kevin D Randle, *'History of UFO Crashes.'*
Type: H?

Location: Near Linn Grove, Iowa.
Date: April 15, 1897.
Time: Morning.

"F. G. Ellis, James Evans, David Evans, Joe Croaskey and Benjamin Buland followed a large object as it landed about 4 miles north of Linn Grove. When they came within 700 yards of it, "it spread its four giant wings and rose toward the North." Two figures aboard, with unusually long whiskers, seemed to be trying to conceal themselves. "The occupants threw out two large boulders of unknown composition, which were taken into the village, and are now on exhibition."

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: A

Location: Near Springfield, Illinois.
Date: April 15, 1897.
Time: Noon.

Two farmhands, Adolph Winkle and John Hulle, came upon the airship in a field 2 miles north of Springfield. Two men and a woman emerged and said they had flown from Quincy in 30 minutes and were repairing the electrical apparatus and searchlight mechanism. They said they "would make a report to the government when Cuba is declared free."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *FSR* Vol. 11 #1.
Type: B

Location: Farmersville, Texas.
Date: April 15, 1897.
Time: Evening.

Mr. Brown; the city marshal of Farmersville, said that when the airship passed over him at about 200ft, he could see in it “two men, and something resembling a large Newfoundland dog.” He heard the occupants talk, but could not understand the language.

HC addendum.
Source: *Austin Weekly Standard*, (Austin Texas.) Vol. 26, Ed. 1 Thursday, April 22, 1897.
Type: A

Location: Pine Lake, Michigan.
Date: April 15, 1897.
Time: Night.



"A tap on his window and the glare of a light that at first blinded him awakened William Megiveron. On stepping out into the night, he was accosted by a voice from above, which told him that the light was from the airship, that during the afternoon the ship had been lying concealed behind a bank of clouds over the lake and that a stray shot from the gun of some duck hunter had injured one of the ship's wings, and they had descended for repairs.

William then says he was directed to prepare four dozen eggs sandwiches and a kettle of coffee for the crew. When prepared, the provender was hoisted on board and paid for in Canadian quarters. William states that the aerial monster appeared about 300ft above the lake, but only the outlines were visible on account of the brilliant searchlight, which made everything below as bright as day. He observed a red light at each end, just before daylight, the ship sailed off toward the city."

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: G

Location: Near Cisco, Texas.
Date: April 15, 1897.
Time: Night.

A man came upon a landed airship approximately 200ft long and crewmen in the process of repairing a searchlight. The witness was told that the craft was bound for Cuba with a load of dynamite.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: C

Location: Dunkirk, Ohio.
Date: April 15, 1897.
Time: Night.

Two witnesses standing on a railroad tower saw a winged aerial visitor fly low over the tower. They said the object was so near that he could hear men talking in it. They describe the object as the size of a wagon bed, and said it had a wing on each side and a propeller at each end, with a red light in front and a greenish light at the back.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: F

Location: Near Bloomington, Fayette County, Illinois.
Date: April 15, 1897.
Time: Night.

A witness saw an airship land in a field. Abruptly a door opened in the body of the machine and six individuals alighted. Some of the crew chatted with the witness though the witness claimed he could not recall the subject of the conversation.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'UFOs an Atlas and History 1800-1977.'*
Type: B

Location: Near Springfield, Missouri.
Date: April 16, 1897.
Time: Daytime.

W. H. Hopkins, 50, was in the hills east of Springfield when he discovered in a valley “a vessel similar to the airship shown in the newspaper a few days ago,” resting on four legs and with two horizontal and 1 vertical propeller wheels. It was about 20ft long and 8ft wide, the propellers about 6ft in diameter.

Near it was a beautiful girl with long blond hair, rather under medium size, wearing nothing but a band of jewels around her forehead; she was picking flowers “with exclamations of delight in a language I could not understand,” and fanning herself with a fan, though to Hopkins the air was not warm.

In the shade of the vessel lay “a man of noble proportions and majestic countenance,” with dark auburn shoulder length hair and full beard, likewise naked and fanning himself. When the woman became aware of Hopkins, she rushed to the man with a shriek of fear. Hopkins uttered words of apology, which were not understood, and held out his hand, to which the man responded in kind. He asked them by signs where they came from; they pointed upwards and pronounced a word that sounded like ‘Mars.”

The man showed him the ship, which was illuminated by a luminous ball and contained a luxurious couch and robes. Rotating balls of metal activated the propellers and also the lights; “as they revolved, intense lights, stronger than any arc light I ever saw, shone out red and green at the sides and intense white at the prow.” The couple looked at his gray hair with surprise and examined his watch with wonder, then activated the propellers; “The vessel rose as lightly as a bird and shot away like an arrow.” Hopkins’s friends and business associates called him perfectly reliable.

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: B

Location: Waterloo, Iowa.
Date: April 16, 1897.
Time: Dawn.

"The region is much excited over an air ship or a huge vessel designed to leave the impression that it is a flying machine. It was first observed here at dawn today. The stranger in charge says it is a flying machine and that he landed here today to make some repairs and that he will resume his voyage in the air tomorrow. He keeps all people at a distance of several hundred yards from the machine, and therefore many do not credit his story, but think it a fake designed to create a sensation. Just what object the man has to gain is a mystery, as he has not asked for money from the hundreds who have visited the field to take a look at the thing.

The structure is about forty feet long, constructed like a giant cigar, with wing-like attachments on the sides and a steering apparatus in the rear. The whole is surmounted by a cupola, or lookout chair, on the roof. The queer craft appears to be built of canvas and to be heavily varnished. A pipe leading from the cone constantly emits vapor as if the motor power was steam. The man in charge is a stranger hereabout and carries a rifle to keep the people from too closely examining the machine. He secured permission from the farmer upon whose land he is to keep his machine there for a few days.

The man says he is on a voyage around the world, but was forced to alight for repairs and that if the people do not believe he can fly through the air they can wait a day or two and he will give them a very startling free exhibition."

HC addendum.
Source: *New York Sun* (NY) January-December, 1897.
Type: C?

Location: Birmingham, Iowa.
Date: April 16, 1897.
Time: Daytime.

William L. Walters, living near this city, is responsible for the published statement that he and several others saw an airship settle down on a meadow a mile from this city. They ran toward it but when they were within 100 yards it rose into the air. Two men could be seen in the car. The machine was about 100 feet long and 20 feet thick at the center, tapering to a point at each end. When it rose it made a whirring sound like that of a circular saw.

HC addendum.
Source: New York Sun (NY) January-December, 1897.
Type: A

Location: Logan, Ohio.
Date: April 16, 1897.
Time: Night.

A party of young people saw a sudden flash of light in the sky and looked up to see a large, dark shape flying slowly over the town. The object was close enough to the ground that the witnesses said they could hear voices coming from it. Three of the more adventurous members of the group decided to pursue the strange object and followed it in a buggy. They caught up to it three miles from town, where the object had stopped and descended to within a few feet of the ground. The trio managed to approach to a point 50ft from the thing before it rose swiftly into the air and disappeared into the night. Before it did, the men said they heard voices inside the craft. One witness described the airship as black, approximately 40ft long and boat-shaped.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: F

Location: Danvers, Illinois.
Date: April 16, 1897.
Time: After midnight.

Numerous area residents saw an airship and a smaller trailer like object, which followed the airship closely. The objects appeared to be made out of a shiny material and several occupants (apparently human like) were seen and were apparently dressed in a western style.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'The UFO Encyclopedia Vol. II.'*
Type: A

Location: Near Abbott, Texas.
Date: About April 17, 1897.
Time: Unknown.

Two unnamed farmers near Abbott saw a man and six boys descending from the skies. “They drifted down as gracefully as birds alighting until within a few feet of the ground, about 50 yards away. They remained stationary a few seconds and then re-ascended into the heavens. The day was perfectly clear, not a cloud in sight anywhere.”

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting newspaper source.
Type: E

Location: Waxachie, Texas.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: Unknown.

Judge Love and Mr. Beatty found in the woods a “queer looking machine” and five “peculiarly dressed men.” One of these, who spoke “fairly good English,” told them that the airship came from “regions in the north pole. Contrary to popular belief, there is a large body of land beyond the polar seas.” He said his people were descendants of the 10 lost tribes of Israel, who had learned English from polar explorers. There were said to be 20 of these airships afloat, all of which were planning to show up in mid-June at the Tennessee Centennial Exposition in Nashville.

HC addendum.
Source: David Jacobs.
Type: C

Location: Aurora, Texas.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: 6:00 a.m.



"About 6 o'clock this morning, the early risers of Aurora were astonished at the sudden appearance of the airship which has been sailing through the country. It was traveling due north, and much nearer the earth than ever before. Evidently some of the machinery was out of order, for it was making a speed of only ten or twelve miles an hour and gradually settling toward the earth. It sailed directly over the public square, and when it reached the north part of town collided with the tower of Judge Proctor's windmill and wen to pieces with a terrific explosion, scattering debris over several acres of ground, wrecking the windmill and water tank and destroying the judge's flower garden.

The pilot of the ship is supposed to have been the only one onboard, and while his remains are badly disfigured, enough of the original has been picked up to show that he was not an inhabitant of this world. Mr. T. J. Weems, the United States signal service officer at this place and an authority on astronomy, gives it as his opinion that he was a native of the planet Mars. Papers found on his person; evidently the record of his travels; are written in some unknown hieroglyphics, and cannot be deciphered. The ship was too badly wrecked to form any conclusion as to its construction or motive power. It was built of an unknown metal, resembling somewhat a mixture of aluminum and silver, and it must have weighed several tons.

The town is full of people today who are viewing the wreck and gathering specimens of the strange metal from the debris. The pilot's funeral will take place at noon tomorrow."

HC addendum.
Source: S.E. Haydon '*A Windmill demolished it,' The Dallas Morning News*, April 19, 1897.
Type: H

Location: Stephenville, Texas.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: Early morning.

Early that morning a local farmer had come upon an airship on the ground. Two strangers, who introduced themselves as the pilot and the engineer, told the Texan they had been forced to land in order to make emergency repairs. The farmer hurried into town, rounded up 23 individuals and led them back to the site "to view the aerial monster." The members of the well-behaved mob included two newspapermen; three judges the district attorney, the mayor and three physicians.

Although the travelers refused to allow the delegation onboard the cigar-shaped contraption, apparently powered by a pair of metallic windmills, they spoke at length about their "experimental trip." Working under contract to "certain capitalists in New York," the cloud hoppers rated their adventure "a great success" and predicted "that in a short time the navigation of the air will be an assured fact." With that the two thanked the throng for their interest and hospitality, cranked up the flying cigar and floated away on a southwesterly heading toward Comanche.

HC addendum.
Source: http://dibollfreepress.com/news
Type: B

Location: Williamston, Michigan.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: Morning.

At least a dozen farmers saw an object maneuver in the sky for an hour before it landed. A strange man near 3 meters tall, almost naked, and suffering from the heat, was the pilot of the craft. “His talk, while musical, seemed to be a repetition of bellowing.” One farmer went near him and received a blow that broke his hip.

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee, *‘Passport to Magonia.’*
Type: B

Location: Near Lexington, Kentucky.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: Evening.

Three men reported seeing an airship on the ground and a man about 40 years old disembark from the craft and fill a bucket with water from a stream. The witnesses attempted to engage the man in conversation, but he refused to reply to their questions and promptly flew off.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: B

Location: Near Upland, Indiana.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: Evening.

An airship landed at a feed mill and a heavyset man with long whiskers emerged and purchased some cattle feed. Upon reentering his vehicle, the pilot was observed pressing a button, which resulted in the ship rising into the air and flying away.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: B

Location: Near Muncie, Indiana.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: Night.

A farmer saw an airship land on his property. One of its occupants stepped from the car attached to the ship and asked for some milk. After receiving a pail full, the man pulled on a cord and it flew off.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: B

Location: Carlinville, Illinois.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: 8:45 p.m.

"The mysterious airship has been seen in the northern part of this (Macoupin County). About 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon it is asserted it alighted on the farm of Z. Thacker, on mile north of Nilwood. It was seen by William Street, Edward Teeples, and Frank Metcalf. It remained about fifteen minutes, and continued north. The craft was seen again at 8 o'clock alighting in a grove two miles south of Girard and a mile north of the mining camp in Green Ridge. A large crowd of miners from that place and a storekeeper, who locked his door to accompany them, started to inspect the strange apparition. As they approached within half a mile it arose and sped north.

The Chicago and Alton operators telegraphed ahead to be on the watch and at 8 o'clock it passed over Sherman, thirty two miles north of Girard, at the apparent rate of thirty miles an hour. It was last sighted over Williamsville about 8:45 o'clock, headed for Peoria. Those who the airship say it was cigar-shaped, with wings and a canopy on top. One man avers that he saw a man working about the craft, apparently fixing the machinery. The fact of its alighting twice and remaining such a long time in the same locality leads to the conclusion that the machinery was injured in some manner."

HC addendum.
Source: *Dallas Morning News* (Dallas, TX) April 18, 1897.
Type: E

Location: Near Kalamazoo, Michigan.
Date: April 17, 1897.
Time: Late night.

If reports be true, the airship, that ghostlike and meteoric wanderer through realms of the western sky which has startled and awed the mighty west for several months, is now a thing of the glorious past. The dull thud did it. It came, it was seen, and it blew up; so report says.

George W. Somers and William Chadburn, old soldiers, assert that they saw the ship on Sunday night.

By a remarkable coincidence they remained up that night until a late hour in attendance upon a suffering horse. Now the descriptions they give of the airship are somewhat at variance, though they agree in the assertion that the craft illuminated at both ends and moved through space with wonderful rapidity.

The men had scarcely time for a glimpse of the flying machine when a dull explosion was heard, and the craft disappeared. They declare the report was like that of a heavy cannon, and was immediately followed by a distant sound of projectiles flying through the air.

Wondering greatly and sad at heart at the inglorious end of the pride of the west the two men proceeded to the house, where they passed an excited and sleepless night. While Somers and Chadburn are the only ones who witnessed the dying agonies of the airy visitor, there are many corroboratory circumstances. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, who live nearby, say they heard the explosion distinctly, but thought it was thunder.

Then the discoveries of the morning go a long way toward establishing the veracity of the two actual observers of the explosion. In one place, two miles from Scotts, there was found a large coil of heavy wire, evidently a part of some electric appliance. At another point a propeller blade of some very light material was discovered in a partially fused condition.

Three men engaged in shingling a barn in Comstock Township affirm that upon resuming work on the morning following the occurrence they found the house covered with minute fragments of steel which had in some instances penetrated the shingles and entered the boards beneath.

HC addendum.
Source: *Dallas Morning News* (Dallas, TX) April 18, 1897.
Type: H?

Location: El Paso, El Paso County, Texas.
Date: April 19, 1897.
Time: 2:00 a.m.

A man saw a cigar-shaped craft with portholes along each side. Light emanated from the openings and there were searchlights on each end of the craft. Huge wings protruded from each side. Voices were heard coming from it as it approached from the east and passed overhead at five hundred feet.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic, *'UFOs an Atlas and History 1800-1977.'*
Type: A?

Location: Elysian, Minnesota.
Date: April 19, 1897.
Time: 6:00 p.m.

A farmer near Elysian saw the airship descend suddenly, as though it would light in a pond. As he ran toward it, he could plainly see three men who were laughing at him. When he got close, the ship suddenly darted up into the air.

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: A

Location: Lyons, Nebraska.
Date: April 19, 1897.
Time: 9:30 p.m.

A large airship appeared over the city it reportedly had large fans or propellers, which the witnesses could hear. One witness who watched it through opera glasses saw a large man-like figure wearing a great coat and apparently operating some type of steering apparatus.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'The UFO Encyclopedia Vol. II.'*
Type: A

Location: Beaumont, Texas.
Date: April 19, 1897.
Time: 11:00 p.m.

J. B. Ligon and his son went to investigate lights in a nearby pasture, and found four men standing around a large, dark object. One of them asked him for two buckets of water. Another, giving his name as Wilson, told Ligon that they had taken a trip "out on the gulf," and were now returning to the "quiet Iowa town" where the airship and four others like it had been constructed. According to Wilson, the craft was powered by electricity. It was 140ft long with two huge wings on each side, and propellers at bow and stern; it was made of steel.

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: C

Location: Greenfield, Illinois.
Date: April 19, 1897.
Time: Night.

The local postmaster was walking in the woods when he observed an airship about 150ft above his head. He said he could see a woman standing on a deck at the front of the craft, catching pigeons with a net.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: A

Location: Oswego, Illinois.
Date: April 19, 1897.
Time: Night.

Local farmer, John Weathers came to the city yesterday greatly excited over his encounter with the supposed airship. He says that the airship is about forty feet in length, and oblong in shape and landed on his farm during the night. The occupants borrowed a “monkey wrench” in order to adjust their “electrical device” on a large searchlight. The ship left after an hour, disappearing in a northerly direction.

HC addendum.
Source: Daily Magonia Digest 1-26-2004 quoting *Fort Wayne Indiana News*, April 21, 1897.
Type: B

Location: Farmersville, Collins County, Texas.
Date: April 19, 1897.
Time: Night.

An airship was seen flying over this town. Loud singing was also heard coming from it.

HC addendum.
Source: George Mitrovic *'UFOs an Atlas and History 1800-1977.'*
Type: X

Location: Columbus, Ohio.
Date: April 20, 1897.
Time: 1:30 a.m.

"The men of the east side pumping station of the water works claim to have been visited by the airship Tuesday night when they observed a huge, cigar-shaped object settle down on the ground near the building and soon several men issued forth, says the *Columbus Dispatch*. They describe it as being about 30 or 40 feet in length, pointed at both ends, about eight feet wide and six feet in depth. It had two huge wings on each side and the body of the ship was apparently of aluminum.

The men onboard the airship secured a couple of tons of coal and one of the water works employees ran a line of hose through one of the windows and the airship secured about two barrels of water in this manner. No balloon attachment was visible and it is supposed that they secure their power from some kind of an engine which takes coal and water to operate.

It is said that the body of the ship did not rest on the ground when it came to a standstill but it had feet or props under it. George Mettles, a day laborer employed at the pumping station, said that he also saw the airship as he went to work at an early hour in the morning at the corner of Mt. Vernon Avenue and Twenty-Second Street."

HC addendum.
Source: Ole Jonny Braenne in Magonia exchange quoting the *Newark Daily Advocate* (Ohio) April 21, 1897.
Type: B

Location: Near Ogdin, West Virginia.
Date: April 21, 1897.
Time: Evening.

A witness claimed he saw a well-lit object land nearby. The man swore the eight creatures aboard the craft were between 11 and 12 feet tall, with disproportionately large heads. According to the witness, the creatures told him they were exploring the planet. They ate small pills and "drank air" before their ship took off after an hour-long stay.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: B

Location: Harrisburg, Arkansas.
Date: April 22, 1897.
Time: 1:00 a.m.

Ex-Senator Harris, awakened by a noise, saw the airship; it descended to within a few feet of the ground a short distance away, to draw water from a well. On board were an elderly man with a dark beard to his waist, two young men, and a woman. The bearded man told Harris that the ship was operated by antigravity, an invention of his uncle's. "I have a 4 ton Hotchkiss gun on board, which fires 63,000 times a minutes, together with 10 tons of ammunition; I hold it out with one hand before firing." He had intended to "go over to Cuba and kill out the Spanish army," but now thought he might "go to the aid of the Armenians." "I could take breakfast here, do my shopping in Paris, and be back here for dinner without inconvenience." Before taking off he invited Harris to take a ride, but Harris declined.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *FSR,* Vol. 13 #4.
Type: B

Location: Rockland, Texas.
Date: April 22, 1897.
Time: 11:30 p.m.

John M. Barclay heard his dog barking, and a whining noise. Going to the door, he saw an oblong body "with wings and side attachments of various sizes and shapes" hovering 15ft above the ground; it then landed in a nearby pasture, and the lights went out. When within 30 yards of the ship, Barclay was met by "an ordinary mortal, who requested him to lay his gun aside."

Asked his name, the man replied *"Never mind, call it Smith. I want some lubricating oil and a couple of cold chisels, if you can get them, and some bluestone. Here is a ten dollar bill; get us these articles and keep the change for your trouble."* He would not let Barclay procure the oil and chisels free of charge, as the ten dollar bill could not be changed. As the man was leaving, Barclay asked him where he was from and where he was going; he replied, *"From anywhere, but we will be in Greece day after tomorrow."* He boarded the vessel, which left "like a shot out of a gun."

HC addendum.
Source: Jacques Vallee, *'Passport to Magonia.'*
Type: B

Location: Josserand, Texas.
Date: April 22, 1897.
Time: Midnight.

Frank Nichols, awakened by a mechanical noise, saw a lighted object land in his cornfield. When he went out, he met two men who asked permission to draw water from his well. The crew; half a dozen men, talked to him and told him that the airship was worked by “highly condensed electricity” and was one of five built in Iowa.

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: C

Location: Conroe, Texas.
Date: April 22, 1897.
Time: Midnight.

Four men, including proprietor G. L. Witherspoon, were playing dominoes in the hotel restaurant of Conroe when three strangers walked in and said they had flown in their airship from San Francisco, en route to Cuba, and had landed not far away. Witherspoon and his friends declined an offer to examine the ship. About an hour later, after the visitors had left, a brilliantly lighted airship passed over Conroe.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark and Loren Coleman.
Type: C

Location: McKinney Bayou, Arkansas.
Date: April 23, 1897.
Time: Unknown.

Judge L. A. Byrne of Texarkana was surveying a tract of land when he saw a peculiar object anchored on the ground. Its crew of three spoke a foreign language, and looked like Japanese. They showed him through the ship; the machinery was of aluminum, and gas was pumped into an aluminum tank to raise the craft.

HC addendum.
Source: Humcat quoting Newspaper source.
Type: G

Location: Near Kountze, Texas.
Date: April 23, 1897.
Time: Unknown

Two men said they discovered a landed airship near the town. They described it as cigar-shaped, and estimated it was 50ft long and 20ft wide. Next to the craft were its two occupants, who told the witnesses they were repairing a punctured "air compartment." The aeronauts said their names were Jackson and Wilson.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: C

Location: Louisville, Kentucky.
Date: April 24, 1897.
Time: Evening.

A man heard a buzzing noise and looked up to see a cigar-shaped craft about 200 feet in the air. Before the airship flew off to the south, the witness was able to make out the form of a man standing at the stern of the object: “He looked at me, and I waved my hat. Two other men were sitting at the helm.”

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *‘It Didn’t Start With Roswell.’*
Type: A

Location: Merkel, Texas.
Date: April 25, 1897.
Time: Evening.

People returning from church noticed a heavy object being dragged along the ground by a rope from an airship, which had a bright front light like a locomotive, and several lighted windows. The object got caught on the railroad track; after 10 minutes a small man in a light blue sailor suit came down the rope and cut it free, then re-ascended as the craft sailed away. “The anchor is now on exhibition at the blacksmith shop of Elliot and Miller, and is attracting the attention of hundreds of people.”

HC addendum.
Source: *FSR* Vol. 13 #1.
Type: B

Location: Kenly, North Carolina.
Date: April 25, 1897.
Time: Unknown.

"The people of this town (Raleigh) who saw, or thought they saw, the air-ship are entirely outclassed by the good people of Kenly, who saw the airship's sails and the two men who were operating it."

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, in Magonia Exchange list quoting the *Charlotte* (North Carolina) *Observer* April 25, 1897.
Type: A?

Location: Dayton, Michigan.
Date: April 27, 1897.
Time: 2:00 a.m.

Two Dayton people, returning home from staying up with a sick neighbor, were startled by the appearance of a huge cigar with a lighted basket under it. In the light could be seen the forms of three human looking occupants.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, Lucius Farish, *FSR,* Vol. 15 #1.
Type: A

Location: Near Elkton, Kentucky.
Date: April 27, 1897.
Time: 7:00 p.m.

A family living south of town was sitting at the supper table, the furious barking of the ever-faithful watchdog suddenly startled them, and as is usual with children, they all rushed out to see what had caused the excitement of the canine. The family described seeing a large, cigar shaped affair with immense white wings. It was not very high, and the guy ropes and rods could be seen plainly. Three men were visible, and they frantically waved their hands as they passed. The machine had a zigzag course, and seemed to be out of working order.

HC addendum.
Source: Phillip L. Rife, *'It Didn't Start With Roswell.'*
Type: A

Location: Sharon, Pennsylvania.
Date: April 28, 1897.
Time: Night.

Several “reputable” locals reported seeing a huge airship shaped like a dirigible flying over the rooftops of the city. It was lighted and inside a cabin three man-like figures were plainly seen. No other information.

HC addendum.
Source: Robert Lyman, *‘Forbidden Land,’* and *‘Strange Events in the Black Forest.’*
Type: A

Location: Deadwood, Texas.
Date: About April 28, 1897.
Time: 8:30 p.m.

Hearing his horses stampeding, H. C. Lagrone went out and saw a bright white light illuminating the area, and then landing. When he went to the spot he found five men, two of who went to fill rubber bags of water. The others informed him that the airship, one of five flying around the country, had been built in Illinois and was not yet patented; they were planning to produce them in St Louis. “They were well supplied with edibles of all sorts, had a good supply of beer and champagne, also a full supply of musical instruments.”

HC addendum.
Source: David Jacobs.
Type: C

Location: Near Sailor, Indiana.
Date: April 30, 1897.
Time: Various.



"Two farmers living near Sailor are considerably aroused over the appearance in the woods of a strange animal which resembles a man. It has been reported for the last two years that a mysterious animal inhabited the woods, but the reports were never credited until yesterday, when Adam Gardner and Ed Swinehart, two well-known farmers, reported that the animal was seen and that shots were fired at it. The men report that the beast walked on its hind feet and had every appearance of a man, save the body was covered with hair. The height was that of an average-sized man.

When the animal saw the men approaching it jumped and started for the thick portion of the woods upon its hind legs, but afterwards dropped don its hands and disappeared with rabbit-like bounds. Gardner shot at the animal and thinks he hit it, as the animal seemed lamed. A searching party is being organized to hunt for the mysterious animal."

HC addendum.
Source: Magonia list quoting the *Cleveland* (Ohio) *Plain Dealer*, May 1, 1897.
Type: E

Location: Near Cassville, Indiana.
Date: May 3, 1897.
Time: 1:00 a.m.

A man going home late at night was passing by a gravel pit in which rested a 40-foot long cigar-shaped airship. The witness was apparently able to see inside the craft and reported seeing handsome furnishings, and several midgets that spoke in an unknown language.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark, *'The UFO Encyclopedia Vol. II.'*
Type: A

Location: Near Hot Springs, Arkansas.
Date: May 6, 1897.
Time: Night.

Riding northwest of Hot Springs in rainy weather, Constable J. J. Sumpter and Deputy Sheriff McLemore saw a brilliant light descend to Earth. They approached to within 100 yards, when their horses refused to go further. They challenged two persons carrying lanterns; one a man with a long dark beard, came forward to say that he and a young man and woman were traveling in an airship.

This, cigar-shaped and 60ft long looked "just like the cuts that have appeared in the papers recently." The young man was filling a "sack" with water; the woman held an umbrella. The bearded man invited the police officers to take a ride, but they declined. He gave his destination as Nashville, Tennessee. The men rode off and did not see the airship leave. They gave a sworn affidavit of the above.

HC addendum.
Source: *FSR,* Vol. 12 #4.
Type: C

Location: Matteawan, New York.
Date: May 6, 1897.
Time: 10:30 p.m.

An object illuminating the sky with brilliant flashes of white and green light was observed in the west, midway between horizon and zenith. Two or three occupants were seen, including a boy who threw hot ashes over the side.

HC addendum.
Source: Mufob Vol. 5 #5.
Type: A

Location: Acworth, Georgia.
Date: June, 1897.
Time: Night.

Newspaper sources reported that witnesses had seen “a strange looking figure which resembled a woman with long flowing black hair” it was reported flying through the air three or four hundred feet over the Litchfield Hotel.

HC addendum.
Source: Jim Miles, *‘Weird Georgia,’* citing Journal entry, June 14, 1897. Type: E

Location: Okanagan Landing, British Columbia, Canada.
Date: July, 1897.
Time: 1:00 a.m.

"For several months reports have been floating around to the effect that in different parts of the province a luminous body resembling a balloon or air ship had been seen hovering over the earth at night. Two fishermen on the northern coast observed this strange aerial visitor last July; it has been seen at Vancouver and Rossland, and now it transpires that the mysterious object has paid a visit to the Okanagan. Last Thursday night, about one o'clock, Messrs. Tilton and Nicholls, two men employed at the Morning Glory mine on Okanagan Lake saw this strange sight.

They are both men of good repute, and there is no reason to doubt their word. They tell a very straight story and appear to be perfectly convinced that what they saw was an illuminated balloon of large dimensions and of oblong shape. They state that shortly after midnight they were startled by seeing a bright light approaching the lake from a northerly direction, and not very far distant from the ground. It slowly circled over an area of two or three miles for several hours and about 3 a.m. disappeared towards the east.

They also assert that they distinctly saw the figure of a man at intervals engaged apparently in firing up an engine, or working some electrical appliance, and that when he was engaged in this work a stream of bright sparks flowed continuously from the machine. As far as we can learn these two men were the sole witnesses of this uncanny looking object, but their unsupported testimony is sufficiently strong to convince those who have spoken to them on the subject, that they are telling a plain unvarnished tale."

HC addendum.
Source: http://www.ufobc.ca/Sightings quoting *Vernon BC News*, August 26, 1897.
Type: A

Location: Near Shakertown, Ohio.
Date: August, 1897.
Time: Night.

Lowell Whitaker, quite a prominent young farmer living near Monroe, had an experience the other night that he will not soon forget. Whitaker was out late and was returning to his home in the village. He was returning from the vicinity of Shakertown and was partially asleep when on a sudden, his horse "shied" and the buggy jolting over a stump he was rudely awakened. He saw in an adjoining field a strange light; one of those hallucinations seen only on country roads, and only at night; those that cause the hair and the whiskers to turn white.

While it did not affect Whitaker's hirsute growth that way, he was a badly scared man. In his fright he became sadly befuddled and cannot now recount the actual details of the experience. He says, however, at first, that the apparition appeared to assume the form of a man, and at the same time to be an immense blaze of fire. He thought it might be Mephistopheles himself, but then he knew he would not be camping out near Monroe so he passed that idea up. The light was brilliant and ghostly. Whitaker does not know sure whether it was a jack o'lantern or a flying machine. It was a strange light anyhow and Whitaker is worried. It might have been a for-runner of the millennium.

HC addendum.
Source: *The Daily Signal*, Sept. 1, 1897, Middleton, Ohio.
Type: E?

Location: Lumivaara, Karelia, Finland (now Russia).
Date: 1898.
Time: Afternoon.

Near Lake Ladoga (Eastern Finland at the time) a 10-year old girl named Rita Nukarinen was walking in the forest when she saw an object that looked like a balloon just above the treetops. There was a rope of some sort going from the balloon to one treetop and there were people inside the 'balloon. Later she told the story to her children who then told UFO researchers.

HC addendum.
Source: Paul Stonehill, *'The Soviet UFO Files'* and *'The UFO Research of Finland,'* 1985 Annual Report.
Type: A
Comments: A group of engineering students from St. Petersburg made pioneering balloon trips into the Lake Ladoga area in 1913, but no explanation has been found to the 1898 case.

Location: Allevard, Isere, France.
Date: 1898 (approximate date).
Time: Night.

A young lumberjack named Bourne was about to cross a hill at night to visit his fiancé when he was taken and slung over the shoulders of a hairy giant and brought to a cave with a group of brown long-haired creatures talking in a strange language. The biggest hairy man was about 8 feet tall and 'looked almost human' and had long arms and big hands. After several hours Bourne pulled out his pipe which was snatched away. The following night Bourne managed to escape. Locals called such creatures "Marfolats."

Around the same time in the village of Briancon, Haute Alpes, a man that had been missing for days reported that he had been abducted by a hairy forest man (home des bois) and kept in a cave with his family, a female and two young ones. He was fed some berries but eventually they lost interest in him.

HC addendum.
Source: Erik Knatterud, *Cryptomundo*, 2006.
Type: G?

Location: Near Otradnaya, Stavroposkaya province, Russia.
Date: 1898 or 1899.
Time: Unknown.

Local residents were stunned to encounter three humanoid looking alien beings, with tanned skin, and very thin built. Their craft had crashed nearby. The UFO was not very big and looked like the tip of a large arrow. The aliens seemed very sick, and it was difficult for them to breath. Locals were afraid to approach them, fearing that the strangers were carrying some type of exotic disease. But the villagers brought them food and water.

The aliens lived for three days and then all died. Apparently suffocating to death, they were buried without any religious Orthodox ceremony, because nothing was known about their beliefs. The official authorities were not notified because of fear that an investigation would prompt "murder" charges upon the locals. The damaged arrow-shaped craft had a number of metallic objects inside made out of strange metal resembling silver.

The locals took the objects home and used them for domestic purposes. The craft was apparently disassembled. Much later, their ataman (Cossack leader) heard about the story and wrote a letter to the Academy of Sciences in St. Petersburg also sending some pieces of the object. But the war with Japan had just started and no one came to visit the location. The story was leaked by numerous sources, first in 1957. Letters from several locals were obtained which described basically the same events. Some of the witnesses were, Olga Vaslievna Maslennikova, Mitrofan Vasilievich Karpenko, Nikolay Pchelintsev and Irina Danilova.

HC addendum.
Source: Yuriy Morozov PhD, Moscow, in *Perekrestok Kentavra*
(Newspaper) Rostov-on-Don, Russia #2, 2000.
Type: H

Location: Cotton Hollow, near Danbury, Connecticut.
Date: June, 1898.
Time: Late night.

Late one night four men from Danbury were walking home from visiting friends. A man named Jerry Wilson was in the lead. As they passed through a wooded area known as Cotton Hollow a giant sprang up from the underbrush. He was at least twice as tall as any of the Danbury men.

He shouted out to Wilson, *"How far is it to the next town?"*

Terrified, Wilson managed to stammer out, *"About three miles!"* The giant ran off into the dark woods, and the frightened men hurried back to their own homes. The next they returned to Cotton Hollow and found footprints in the soft soil. They were at least 18 inches long and 5 ½ inches wide. People who lived in Cotton Hollow told Wilson and his friends they had seen the giant in the neighborhood several times before, and estimated he was nine feet tall and weighed around 500 pounds.

HC addendum.
Source: New England Folklore Blog quoting *'Connecticut Naugatuck Daily News,'* June 29, 1898.
Type: E

Location: Quidnet Beach, Massachusetts.
Date: June 22, 1898.
Time: Daytime.

Mr. William H. Norcross, while fishing off Quidnet Beach today, found a small animal, which had been dead some time, and had a shape which was nearly human, with eyes, nose and mouth exactly like those of a person.

One of the old sea captains claims that he found one once in the South Pacific Ocean exactly the same as this one, only it was alive, but died in a short time, and he says it is the original of the fabled mermaid. Mr. Norcross is planning to preserve the animal, as much as possible, and to have it examined by a naturalist.

HC addendum.
Source: Jerome Clark in Magonia Exchange list quoting *Boston Journal* June 23, 1898.
Type: H?

Location: Greenwich Pak, London, England.
Date: July 24, 1898.
Time: Unknown.

A witness reported seeing a strange creature fall from a diseased elm tree, while sitting on a park bench. The figure was described as small half-human-half animal, stunted, bloated, pulpy and yellow in color. It crawled sideways into some nearby bushes and disappeared. The terrified witness fled the area.

HC addendum.
Source: *Fortean Times* #14.
Type: E

Location: Geneva, Switzerland.
Date: November 2, 1898.
Time: 6:15 a.m.

Helene Smith reported rising at 6:15 a.m. and feeling an invisible arm clasp itself about her waist. “I then saw myself surrounded by a rose-colored light which generally shows itself when a Martian vision is coming,” she said. She found herself suddenly in “a section of country peopled by men altogether different from those who inhabit our globe.

The tallest of all were three feet high, and the majority was an inch or two shorter. Their hands were immense, about ten inches long by eight inches broad; they were ornamented with very long black nails. Their feet were also of great size.”

According to Smith the little men resided in simples houses “all low, long, without windows or doors; and each house had a little tunnel about ten feet long running from it into the earth. The roofs were flat, supplied with chimneys or tubes.”

HC addendum.
Source: John A. Keel, *‘Our Haunted Planet.’*
Type: F

Location: Spring Valley, New York.
Date: 1899.
Time: Night.

The Jersey Devil raided Vincentown and Burrsville, and then decided to expand its horizons and head for New York. The creature made its first out-of-state appearance in Spring Valley, New York, where a resident was repeatedly losing sheep and hearing "ungodly" screams. At one point, the resident spotted the thief, and described it as a "flying serpent."

This resident's report would be the first Jersey Devil sighting ever to be published in the newspapers. The creature remained in New York for a brief period, where it was sighted at Hyenga Lake (rumors had it that a strange creature that could fly, swim, and run became a frequent visitor). Eventually, the Jersey Devil decided to return to its home state, but not without leaving strange tracks in New York's marshes.

HC addendum.
Source: sp5x5@aol.com
Type: E



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